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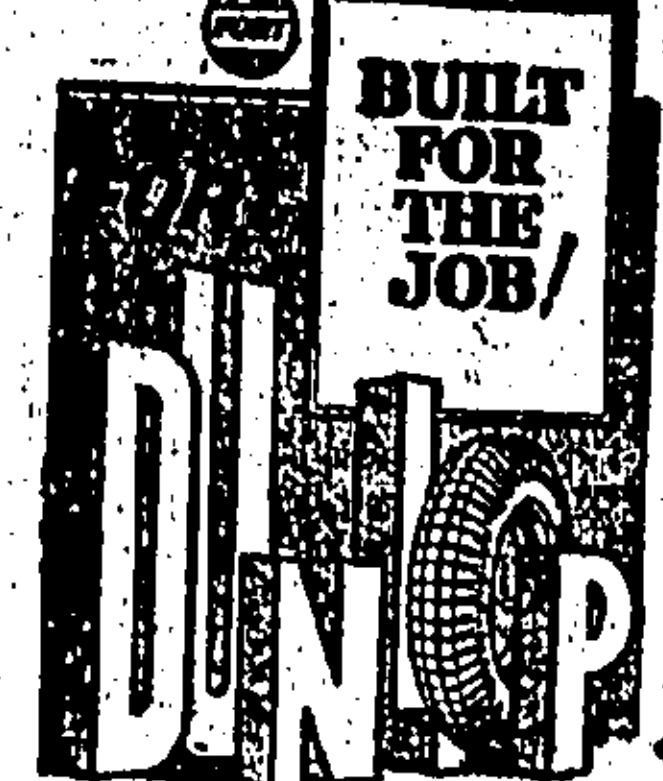
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DETERMINED TO BALANCE BUDGET

WHOLE FINANCIAL SITUATION
BEING DISCUSSED.

ALL PARTY CONFERENCE

RECREATE NATIONAL
CONFIDENCE

London, Yesterday.

Government's determination to balance the Budget and take steps to recreate national confidence is reflected in the announcement that a special meeting of the Cabinet Economy Committee will to-day discuss the whole financial situation.

SPECIAL MEETING

Though the gravity of the present situation is realised, it is emphasised in well-informed quarters that there is no question of emergency measures. The Government is likely to propose, however, that an All-Party Conference discuss the proposals of the Economy Committee, and Mr. Neville Chamberlain is mentioned as the most likely representative of the Conservatives and Sir Herbert Samuel of the Liberals.

Government's Responsibility.
If the conference is held the Conservatives, while anxious to support Government legislation toward effecting economies, are of the opinion that responsibility for initiating such legislation is solely the Government's. Hence it is uncertain that they will agree to any kind of three Party deliberations.

Labour Government.
Reports of a Cabinet split in the matter are stoutly denied, but it is undoubtedly a fact that the Labour Government is facing a very severe internal crisis. Many of its supporters are advocating heavier taxation rather than cuts in the social services.

Not So Bad As It Looks.
It should be noted that about a half of the £120,000,000, mentioned in the Economy Committee's Report, to be found in order to balance the Budget, is on account of the usual provision for repayment of existing debts. Hence the position is not so bad as it looks.—Reuter.

PREMIER SPENDS BUSY DAY

Dealing with Governmental
Business.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Prime Minister, who returned to London by the night train from Lissleworth, spent to-day in a conference with Ministers.

Interviewed upon arrival he said he had completed his study of the Report of the Economy Committee and emphasised that Government's attitude would not be decided until the meeting of the Special Cabinet Sub-Committee at the end of the month. He had come to deal with general Governmental business.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald had a long conversation during the morning with Mr. Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and he also saw Sir Clive Wigram, the King's Private Secretary.—British Wireless Service.

URGENT BUSINESS

Premier's Holiday Interrupted.
London, Yesterday.
The sequel to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's spectacular inter-

ruption of his holiday occurred at Downing Street this morning, with the hasty arrival of the Premier after travelling all night long, after which he was visited by Mr. Philip Snowden and the King's private secretary.

Mr. MacDonald, in an interview, said that "urgent Governmental business" had brought him back. He declined to discuss the nature of this, or comment on newspaper reports that the Conservative members were appealing to him to form an emergency Government, but it is understood that his return is connected with the recent economy report and the general financial situation.

This is the second time that business has intruded on Mr. MacDonald's holiday, as the Premier had just concluded long, confidential discussions with Mr. Stimson in the Scottish highlands during walks over the moor and in the dining-room of the farmhouse where the statesman sat in the evening, by the light of oil lamps. Mr. MacDonald admitted that the talks covered international financial questions.—Reuter.

GERMANY'S DAY

TROUBLE IN
COLOGNE.

SHOTS AT POLICE

NUMEROUS ARRESTS
AND CASUALTIES.

Cologne, Yesterday.
Many shooting affairs in the streets occurred for over two hours on the occasion of a torchlight procession arranged by a Republican organisation for Constitution Day.

Many shots were fired at the Police who replied by firing without warning wherever a crowd collected. Numerous casualties are reported, besides arrests. Cafes and theatres are closed.—Reuter.

SPIRIT STOVE EXPLOSION

Li Chai-chi (82), of a Village Road, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, suffering from burns to his head and the upper parts of his body, which were sustained when a spirit stove, which he was preparing his meal, exploded.

DIRECTORS DUTIES

POWERS TO CALL
MEETINGS.

SZE YAP APPEAL

WHAT IS A VALID
NOTICE?

At the further hearing of the Sze Yap Steamship Company appeal case, before the Full Court this morning, Mr. H. G. Sheldon continued his address on behalf of plaintiff-respondents.

In commencing, he said that before leaving the question of fact he would like to call attention to a small piece of evidence which was both interesting and valuable, as showing the attitude of the anti-requisitionist Directors.

One witness had said that Mr. Leo d'Almada, solicitor for the Directors, (appellants in the present action), spoke at the meeting. Mr. d'Almada wanted to say that the meeting was unlawful because only one-tenth of the shareholders had convened it.

Mr. d'Almada himself, giving evidence, and in reply to Mr. Potter, for plaintiffs, had said that in his speech at the meeting, he had pointed out that if the signatures to the requisition were obtained by deceit the requisition might be bad in law, and the meeting thereby invalidated.

Solicitor's Instruction.
"My submission is," said Mr. Sheldon, "that it is impossible to reconcile that evidence with the case of the appellants that a resolution whether to discuss eight resolutions, or two only, was put to the meeting. Mr. d'Almada's speech points unerringly to the fact that the anti-requisitionist directors were trying by every available means to stop the eight resolutions being put. Mr. d'Almada, as a matter of fact, was not allowed to continue, owing to the clamour that arose, and he sat down."

Counsel expanded his point in reply to the Chief Justice, submitting that Mr. d'Almada got up at the meeting and said it might be bad in law. He must obviously have been instructed to do so by his clients, the anti-requisitionists. He would not volunteer the information on his own account. "I contend therefore that such a procedure was entirely inconsistent with any desire on the part of the anti-requisitionists to give their opponents a fair hearing."

Mr. Sheldon continued, "My submission on the evidence as regards whether the second meeting was regular or not, and the resolutions passed there were valid, is that it is a matter entirely of fact, and not fact drawn from documents, but entirely from verbal evidence of witnesses in the Lower Court."

Truth and Accuracy.
Counsel then referred to the submission on appellants' behalf that the witnesses in the Lower Court had all given a truthful account. "Truthfulness is not synonymous with accuracy," and this Court of Appeal, by reason of various influences, cannot be in the same position as was the Trial Judge. My friend contends that such is the case, but it is a fallacy, in my opinion, to say that because the Trial Judge held that the witnesses tried to give a truthful account of what happened, the Appeal Court is in the same position. The demeanour and standing of these witnesses have to be considered. And obviously one set of witnesses could not have told the exact truth."

Mr. Sheldon went on to deal with the question of the notice of the meeting, being in the affirmative, and he claimed that simple notice had been previously given to

AUSTRIAN BANK

SUSPENSION OF
PAYMENT.

A SURPRISE

NATIONAL BANK
TROUBLE

Bucharest, Yesterday.
The Berkowitz Bank, considered the soundest in the country, has suspended payment. It is closely connected to the National Bank which promises assistance in order to prevent further failures.—Reuter.

Earlier Cable.

Geneva, Yesterday.
In response to the Austrian Government's request to the League Council to seek some means to remedy Austria's economic and financial difficulties, the League is despatching two financial experts to Vienna to investigate conditions.—Reuter.

The old directors to convene a meeting. They did not do so in the specified time. And any directors who had any sense of responsibility or of their duties to their shareholders would have convened the meeting. Yet in spite of the rights of these gentlemen (the requisitionists) these directors did not do so.

Director's Duties.

"The question I want to argue is whether Mr. Justice Wood was right in saying that the authority to convene is given to the requisitionists only when the directors have failed in their duty. It had been contended that if the directors so failed, then the requisitionists had power vested in them, and the previous notice held valid. If such an argument is not sound, then the requisitionists are obviously put in a far worse position than the failing directors."

The Chief Justice; Then, your point is that the failure of the directors makes the previous notice effective?—Exactly, My Lord.

Mr. Sheldon said that his points so far had been, firstly, that the first notice was good for both meetings; and secondly, that in any case, the second notice sent out on July 17 was a good and valid one. He submitted that the only point Mr. Justice Wood had to decide was whether the notice was a fair one to the shareholders as to what was going to happen, or was it such a notice that they might be prejudiced by it?

Ample Information.

Counsel further submitted that there was ample information available to the shareholders, because the original requisition was in the hands of the company, and presumably ought to have been in their office, open for examination.

Replying to a query by the Chief Justice, counsel said that at any rate a copy of the original requisition was sent to the company's office.

As regards the notice to shareholders, the whole point was whether it gave them fair notice of what the meeting had to deal with. "It is a very curious thing that not a single witness has been called by the other side to say that he did not know the object or the date of the meeting." Obviously, in this case the shareholders all knew these rows were going on.

"In addition, there was not one single case produced of prejudice by reason of not having proper knowledge." The objections of the appellants are all, and every one, entirely technical.
The case is proceeding.

WIRELESS CASE

INSTALLED WITHOUT
A LICENCE.

\$25 FINE

USED FOR A
PAPER.

Leung Yuk-cheung, manager of the Wah Tsz Yat Po, a Chinese daily paper, at 10, Wellington Street, and Cheung Wai-man, an operator, were summoned before Mr. W. Schofield this morning, for having a Superwasp wireless receiving set installed in the basement of 47, Wyndham Street without a licence.

The Postmaster General (Mr. E. W. Hamilton) appeared for the prosecution, whilst Mr. Horace Lo defended.

Purely Technical Offence.

Mr. Lo said that he understood from Mr. Hamilton that he was only asking for a conviction on one of the summonses, which were alternative. He was pleading guilty to a purely technical offence.

Why Removed.

The wireless set was the property of the Wah Tsz Yat Po, who had a licence issued in the name of the manager, for keeping the set at 10, Wellington Street. It appears that, on July 31 last, the operator asked permission to remove the set, his main reason being that the reception was not very clear, owing to atmospheric disturbances. He took the set to 47, Wyndham Street, where he installed it in the basement. The operator, said Mr. Lo, thought that he might try the set at the new address, which was his residence.

Broadcast News for a Paper.

His business was to gather broadcast news for his paper, and this naturally required the best reception possible. He thought that it would be more convenient in his house.

His Worship, interposing, agreed that for Press news it was important to have good reception on the wireless.

An Experiment.

Continuing, Mr. Lo explained, that the idea was purely an experiment, and that the aerials at 47, Wyndham Street were of a very improvised character, thus indicating that there was no intention to have the set fixed there permanently.

Mr. Lo added that he understood that the defendants should have had a licence for the set at the new address, and asked his Worship to deal with the case leniently.

Simple Case.

Mr. Hamilton said that the case was a perfectly simple one. He was not suggesting for the moment, that the manager was attempting to defraud the revenue, otherwise he would have made an application for the forfeiture of the set.

"General Post" with the P.O. Some unscrupulous people, said Mr. Hamilton, sometimes may use two receivers on one set, and play a sort of "general post."

His Worship decided to dismiss the summons against the operator, he being a subordinate.

Obligations.

In reply to his Worship, Mr. Hamilton said that one must pay \$1 for alteration of address, and one's wireless set must be registered, always.

The Magistrate said that under the circumstances he would impose a fine of \$25 on the manager.

HOOVER'S WAR DEBTS MORATORIUM

EXPERTS REACH COMPLETE
AGREEMENT

RECOMMENDATIONS.

RIGHTS OF CREDITOR NATIONS
NOT SACRIFICED

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Conference of experts, appointed by Belgium, France, the United Kingdom, Germany, Italy and Japan to consider the detailed measures required to give effect to President Hoover's proposal for the suspension of Inter-Governmental payments for one year and attended by a representative of the United States, issued a communique to-day stating that complete agreement had been reached on the detailed measures required to give effect to the proposal in the case of payments by Germany under agreement.

HOW TO BE REPAYED

The Conference had been approved by the Governments represented and also by the Governments of Australia, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Greece, India, New Zealand, Portugal, Poland, Roumania and South Africa.

The Conference recommends that payments, both of reparations and inter-Ally debts, suspended during the Hoover year, should be repaid by ten equal annuities from July 1, 1933, to include both principal and interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent. It makes this recommendation on the assumption that the system will be acceptable to the United States Government as regards debts due to them, and having the satisfaction that that method is possible without any sacrifice of the rights of any creditor Government in relation to those of other creditor Governments.

Annuities.
Payment of annuities will be absolute obligations involving no option of postponement. Germany's Qualified Acceptance.

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ROUND THE LOCAL CINEMAS.

What Mail Reviewers Say.

"MEN ON CALL"

Edmund Lowe, star of "Scotland Yard," which incidentally is being screened at the King's Theatre to-day, is the leading player in the talkie "Men on Call" now playing in the Majestic Theatre on its return to the Colony. His leading lady is Mae Clarke, and the supporting cast includes Walter Harrigan and Warren Hymer.

Love is seen in the role of an engine driver. He falls in love with Mae, but, on learning on the night before their wedding that she has been cited as the co-respondent in a divorce suit, he leaves the party in disgust. He is so determined to see the girl again that he wrecks the company's special engine. Cast out, he is picked up by an officer of the Coast Guards. Here, after three years, Lowe attains a superior rank. Like a bad penny, the girl turns up, and this time Lowe's pal falls for her. The rest of the narrative is learned from the screen.

Edmund Lowe is splendid.

From Other Sources.

"KIKI."

Mary Pickford's new picture for United Artists, based on the successful stage play, "Kiki," was adapted for the screen by Sam Taylor, director-producer.

Taylor wrote the screen version, aided in the comedy construction by John Gray. Taylor adapted and directed Norma Talmadge's latest starring vehicle, "Du Barry," Miss Pickford's two recent favourites, "My Best Girl" and "Coquette," and also "The Taming of the Shrew," co-starring Miss Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks.

"Kiki," which is showing at the Queen's Theatre, was an international stage success. As a dialogue vehicle for Miss Pickford, it has been given an elaborate presentation by the Joseph M. Schenck organization. The cast was chosen carefully from the ranks of the premiere players of screen and stage with Reginald Denny in the masculine lead.

Certain changes calculated to fit the star's individual personality were made in the story. The title role played by Miss Pickford is that of the street gamine who aspires to be an actress and a "great lady."

A section of a city, complete with

buildings and streets, was duplicated by art directors and artisans on the huge acreage at United Artists' studios in Hollywood for the production.

"NOT EXACTLY GENTLEMEN."

Two regiments of United States Cavalry, 900 Indians and labourers, more than 1,000 head of cattle and hundreds of heads of horses play an active part in the Dakota land rush scene in "Not Exactly Gentlemen," the Fox Movietone production featuring Victor McLaglen with Fay Wray, Lew Cody, Eddie Gribbons, Robert Warwick and Franklyn Farnum heading the supporting cast, which is having its final showings at the Central Theatre to-day.

McLaglen, Lew Cody and Eddie Gribbons are cast as three outlaws, hunted men with a price on their heads, but combined with their badness is a loveliness and humour that is fascinating. David Worth and Fay Wray are the youthful lovers who furnish the romance of the picture and Robert Warwick and Franklyn Farnum provide the "meat," and plenty of it, too. Action is the key-note of the plot.

"Not Exactly Gentlemen" is based on the story, "Over The Border," written by Herman Witaker and brought to the screen by Dudley Nichols, Emmet Flynn and William Conselman, with Benjamin Stoloff directing.

"SINS OF THE CHILDREN."

Acting in talking pictures requires, among other things, an appetite for roast goose. At least this was true in the case of Louise Mann, Broadway star, who will be seen in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Sins of the Children" to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre. It took seven roast geese to "shoot" the Christmas dinner scene and Mann had to eat most of them in three days.

The new picture is a dramatic story of family life, directed by Sam Wood, with Lella Hyams, Robert Montgomery, Mary Doran, Elliott Nugent, Francis X. Bushman, jun., Clara Blandick, Robert McWade, Lee Kohlmar, Henry Armetta, Jane Reid and Jeanie Wood in the cast.

"THE SILENT ENEMY"

Moving pictures are not all make-believe. Sometimes men brave the terrors of a vast unsettled country, and capture for the screen more thrilling scenes than even Hollywood's imagination could conceive. That's how "The Silent Enemy," the Central Theatre feature for to-morrow, was filmed in the wilds of Northern Ontario, with real animals in real fights and a real Indian romance acted by real American Red-Men.

"The Silent Enemy" required more than two years to make, many single scenes taking up several weeks each. An actual fight between a great bull-moose and a horde of timber wolves is an exciting episode in the romance. And, when the moose finally vanquishes the wolves, the hero of the piece actually kills the mighty monarch of the forest.

"The Silent Enemy" is another of those great dramatic stories of nature like "Chang," "Rango," "Tabu," but, more than that, it is a splendid romance of the fast dying-out Indian. The plot is delicately woven around the ancient customs of the Ojibway Indians, each detail being authentically correct. A love story of absorbing interest, played by the descendants of early chiefs, many of whom are actually living to-day as their ancestors lived three-hundred years ago, is the centre-piece of the great drama.

The climax of the story is reach-

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments.
To-day—King's Theatre; "Scotland Yard."
To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Kiki."
To-day—Central Theatre; "Not Exactly Gentlemen."
To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Men On Call."
To-day—World Theatre; "The Fairy Sisters."
To-day—Star Theatre; "Dough Boys."

Radio.
See to-day's programme on page 7.

Home Malls.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Suez (Cathay).
Friday—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Rajputana); Outward for Europe via Siberia (Cathay) 8.50 a.m.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 4.
To-morrow—British Legion, Jardine's Board Room, 5.15 p.m. Lammerts' Auction.

Thursday—At Sales Room, one Cadillac Motor Car, noon.
Friday—At Sales Room, radio and electrical goods, 20 cases green peas, 11 a.m.

Miscellaneous.
August 17—Regimental Band Concert in Botanical Gardens, 9.15 p.m.

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ed with the stupendous stampede of the caribou herd across the Barren Lands, near the Temagami Forest in Northern Ontario. This caribou migration is an annual event, and was always a source of food for the winter-famished Indians of the North. Weeks were spent waiting for the spectacular natural event to occur. When the caribou came, the Indians were sent out to stalk it. These hereditary hunters ambushed the herd, just as their ancient ancestors did, and raided it with bows and arrows. It is estimated that there were more than ten thousand of these rarely seen animals in that vast pack.

On and on the horde comes, straight for the narrows of the river where the filming party had camped. While the flanks of the herd stretch irregularly a mile or so on each side of the head, the latter remains plainly pointed in the same direction. An unswerving leadership governs the immense multitude. Acres and acres are completely covered by these close-packed animals.

The caribou migration is probably one of the most stupendous sights of wild game in North America since the days of the buffalo.

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WATER RETURN.

Most Reservoirs Below Level.

The level and storage of water in the reservoirs on August 1, 1931, were as under:—

City and Hill District.	1930	1931
Tydam	L. 23' 4"	L. 23' 4"
Tydam Bywash	L. 15' 0"	L. 15' 0"
Tydam Intermediate	L.	L.
Tydam Tuk	211' 7"	157' 7"
Wong Nei Chung	1' 7"	20' 7"
Pokfulam	0' 10"	2' 5"
Aberdeen Upper	—	40' 0"

(Note: H. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow.")

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1930	1931
Tydam	384.80	215.02
Tydam Bywash	22.37	5.70
Tydam Intermediate	195.00	195.00
Tydam Tuk	1,345.08	1,065.75
Wong Nei Chung	28.34	9.46
Pokfulam	64.16	45.50
Aberdeen Upper	—	38.21

Total 2,040.05 1,575.54
Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of July, 1931.

Consumption 349.87 431.35

Estimated population 444,600 411,560

Consumption per head per day 28.2 33.8

* Includes 92.51 million gallons from Mainland.

Includes 74.48 million gallons from Mainland.

July, 1930.—Constant supply during the whole month to district North of Queen's Road between Murray Road and Eastern Street. 16 hours supply (5 a.m.—9 p.m.) to all other districts from July 1 to 23 inclusive. Constant supply throughout the City, Hill and High Level Districts from July 24 to 31 inclusive.

July, 1931.—Constant supply throughout the City, Hill and High Level Districts during the whole month.

Kowloon.

1930 1931

Kowloon Reservoir L. 10' 10"

Bywash Reservoir L. 2' 4"

Reservoir L. 2' 4"

Reception Reservoir L. 2' 4"

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

1930 1931

Kowloon Reservoir 352.50 352.50

Bywash Reservoir — 124.50

Reservoir 116.10 116.10

Reception Reservoir 33.15 27.03

Total 601.75 620.13

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during month of July, 1931.

Consumption 130.09 169.97

Estimated population 176,200 288,450

Consumption per head per day 25.4 19.0

Constant supply in all districts during July, 1930 and 1931.

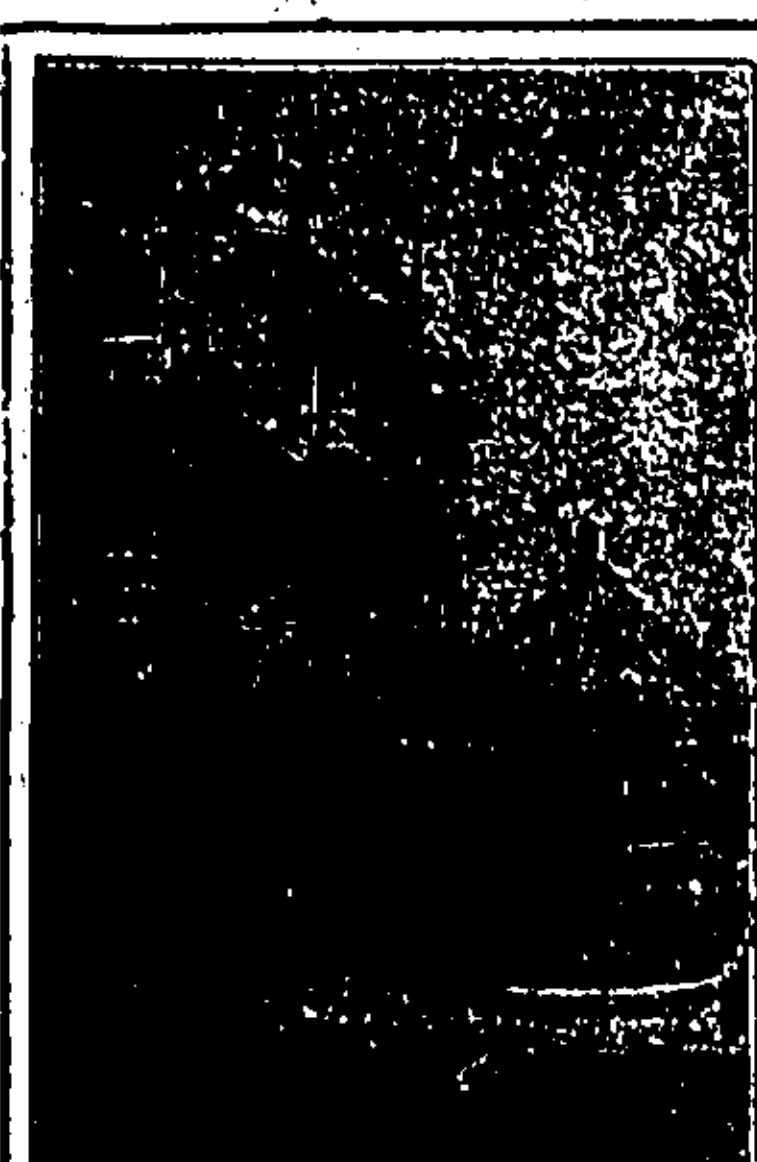
The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall: July 31, 1930, 60.44; July 31, 1931, 46.44.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the E.E. Telegraph Co. Office, Hong Kong:—
Baldeodas Nyas, Passenger, s.s. Talma, c/o Thos. Cook & Son, from Benares.
Neptune, from Cholon.
S. LACK, Manager.

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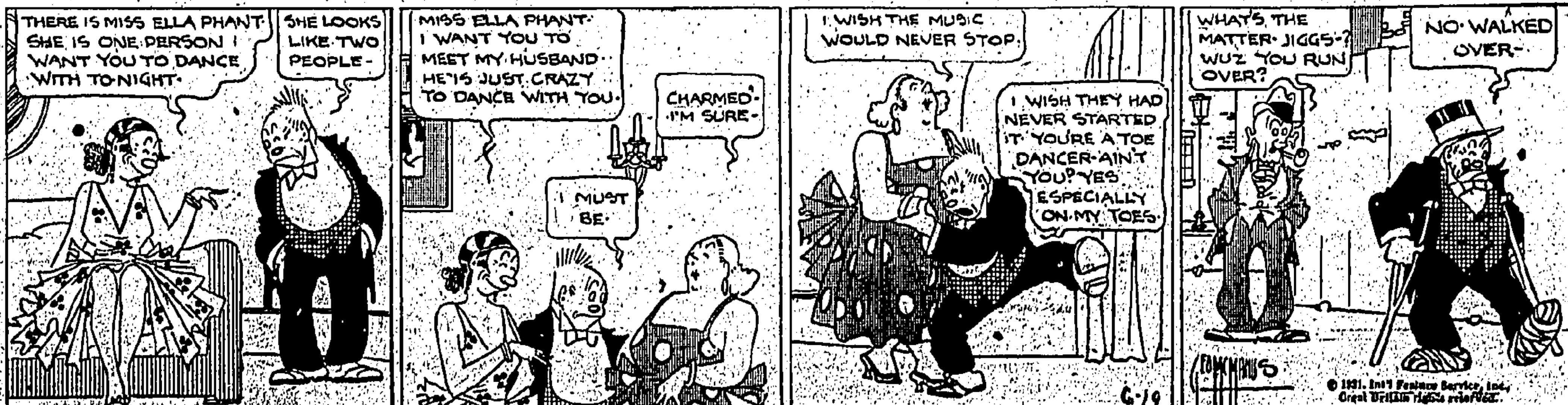
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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

KOWLOON C.C. BEAT SOUTH CHINA A.A.

"A" Division Match at King's Park.

LEAGUE TENNIS.

On their own ground at King's Park yesterday the South China A.A. went down to the Kowloon Cricket Club in the "A" Division of the Lawn Tennis League by 6 sets to 3.

Scores:—
W. T. Lee and W. T. Lee (S.C.A.A.)—lost to E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher 2-6
lost to A. E. Guest and C. E. Millard 3-6
lost to W. Hyde and R. B. Hambly 2-6

W. H. Hoh and S. Chan (S.C.A.A.)—lost to E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher 3-6
beat A. E. Guest and C. E. Millard 6-2
beat W. Hyde and R. B. Hambly 6-3

D. C. Luk and M. C. Lau (S.C.A.A.)—lost to E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher 4-6
lost to A. E. Guest and C. E. Millard 5-7
beat W. Hyde and R. B. Hambly 6-2

"C" DIVISION.

South China A.A. Beat Y.M.C.A.

At home the South China A.A. defeated the Y.M.C.A. by 5 sets to 4.

Scores:—
K. M. Chan and K. H. Chan (S.C.A.A.)—lost to Gray and Puncheon 3-6
lost to J. Ferguson and J. Wilson 4-6
beat A. White and E. Ralton 6-1

F. N. Wong and H. S. Mok (S.C.A.A.)—drew with Gray and Puncheon 6-6
lost to J. Ferguson and J. Wilson 1-6
beat A. White and E. Ralton 6-4

H. K. Ho and T. K. Leung (S.C.A.A.)—beat Gray and Puncheon 6-4
drew with J. Ferguson and J. Wilson 6-6
beat A. White and E. Ralton 6-2

Graduates Assn. Overwhelm Civil Servants.

The Graduates' Association defeated the Civil Service C.C. by 9 sets to nil.

Scores:—
Dr. Samy and Dr. Gutierrez (G.A.)—beat Freeman and Matthews 6-4
beat Omerod and Evans 6-4
beat Best and Burnett 6-3

Dr. Sepher and H. N. Chung (G.A.)—beat Freeman and Matthews 6-2
beat Omerod and Evans 6-3
beat Best and Burnett 6-4

H. T. Lee and Dr. Yeo (G.A.)—beat Freeman and Matthews 6-1
beat Omerod and Evans 7-5
beat Best and Burnett 6-3

Sets.
C.R.C. 14 13 1 0 106 18 27
Recreio 12 12 1 0 82 22 25
S. China 12 9 0 8 73 24 18
K.C.C. 12 7 1 4 57 56 15
University 9 7 0 2 57 23 14
Grado A. 12 7 0 5 59 48 14
H.K.C.C. 12 6 1 5 57 40 13
Y.M.C.A. 11 6 0 5 55 43 12
L.R.C. 12 4 1 7 43 54 9
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Army T.C. 12 3 1 8 35 54 7
C.C.C. 11 3 0 8 34 54 6
K.I.C.C. 12 3 1 10 38 70 5
C.S.C.C. 14 3 2 11 39 77 4
Deutscher 10 1 1 8 24 60 3

Daulla, who successfully upheld his challenge to a wrestling match last Sunday, is sailing with Faill for Canada on Saturday by the R.M.S. Empress of Canada.

RANGERS DEFEAT AIRDRIEONIANS.

Their Second Victory of the Season.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

London, Yesterday. In the First Division of the Scottish League, the Rangers defeated Airdrieonians by two goals to one—Reuter.

This is the Rangers' second victory of the season—they defeated Dundee on Saturday by 4 goals to 1. The Airdrieonians suffered their second defeat—they went down before Kilmarnock on Saturday by 4 goals to 2.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—Mixed Doubles—Chinese R.C. v. Club de Recreio; United Services R.C. v. Indian R.C.; University v. Kowloon C.C.

LAWN BOWLS—Saturday—First Division—Kowloon Docks R.C. v. Craigengower C.C.; Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.; Police R.C. v. Club de Recreio; Civil Service C.C. v. Tai Koo R.C.; Second Division—Tai Koo R.C. v. Yacht Club; Craigengower C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.; Club de Recreio v. Civil Service C.C.; Kowloon B.G.C. v. Hong Kong Electric R.C.

ABROAD.

CRICKET—To-day, To-morrow and Friday—

Middlesex v. Warwickshire. Somerset v. Northamptonshire. Yorkshire v. Glamorgan. Hampshire v. Kent. Worcestershire v. Surrey. Gloucestershire v. Sussex. Notts v. Leicestershire. Saturday, Monday and Tuesday—Yorkshire v. Middlesex. Lancashire v. New Zealand. Somerset v. Sussex. Leicestershire v. Glamorgan. Northamptonshire v. Derbyshire. Kent v. Notts. Hampshire v. Essex. Gloucestershire v. Surrey. Worcestershire v. Warwickshire.

GOLF—To-day to Saturday—Canadian Amateur Championship. To-day—Irish Amateur Championship.

SWIMMING—To-day to Friday—Army Championships. FOOTBALL—Saturday—Scottish League.

WICKETS FALL FAST AT LORD'S.

Sutcliffe's Slip in Captaincy.

JARDINE'S ACTION.

London, July 16. There was an amazing day's cricket in the Gentlemen and Players match at Lord's yesterday. Twenty-three wickets fell for 255 runs. The Gentlemen made 131 and 36 for three, and the Players were all out for 88.

During the afternoon there was a strange incident. The Players had lost nine wickets for 88, and Sutcliffe, anxious to waste no more time, made his way to the front of the pavilion, and beckoned to show that he was declaring the Players' innings closed.

The batsmen came in, but the fielders gathered round Jardine, and remained clustered near the wickets. Jardine then looked towards Sutcliffe and shook his head, but as Sutcliffe continued to beckon, Jardine came to meet him in order to explain that no declaration was possible.

It was 5.20, and as the first day had been washed out by rain, this was virtually a two-day match, when no declaration could be made on the first day for more than one hour and forty minutes before the close of play. The Players, therefore, had to continue their innings.

The match, concluded in the inevitable draw, the Players being 176 runs in arrears with all their wickets in hand.

TOUCHING SILENCE AT K.F.C. MEETING.

Annual Subscription Fee Is Raised.

NEW OFFICIALS.

The annual general meeting of the Kowloon Football Club was held yesterday evening on the Club premises, when Mr. J. Smith presided.

At the conclusion of the reading of the minutes the chairman requested members to stand for a few minutes in silence as a mark of respect to Mr. George Edwards and Mr. Harrison, members who had passed away during the year. An alteration to Rule 19, which dealt with members' subscriptions, was discussed at great length, and it was decided that the annual subscription should be raised from \$5 to \$10, inclusive of entertainment tax.

The following officials were elected for the coming year:—

President, Major C. M. Manners; Chairman, Mr. Robert Hall; Captain of Club, Mr. A. McKelvie; Vice-Captain, Mr. G. Hedley; Bar Convener, Mr. C. Bond; Tennis Convener, Mr. G. Stokes; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. Clemo; Treasurers, Messrs. Percy, Smith and Fleming; Captain of Second Team, Mr. Gilchrist; Vice-Captain, Mr. Spary.

BENNY LEONARD TO STAGE COMEBACK.

Former Lightweight Champion.

KEARNS HIS MANAGER.

New York, Aug. 5. Benny Leonard, who, as old men tell their grandchildren, used to be world's lightweight champion, is going to throw away his crutches and stage a comeback.

Or at least he has been talked into trying it.

"And who is going to manage Benny?"

Who do you suppose? Think of all the good managers from the good old days. Who would you pick to try such a stunt?"

"Jack Kearns?"

"Right."

Now the story is out. Benny retired as champion only six years ago, when such boys as Sammy Mandell, Al Singer and Tony Canzoneri were only coming to the fore.

Since that day Benny has been a movie star, a vaudeville actor, a matinee idol, a newspaper correspondent, and the manager of a hockey team.

But in these hard times you know, a job is a job, so Benny and Jack got together and now they both have jobs.

Benny's youthful figure is no longer what it used to be, and so he has decided he can't get under 140 pounds any more. Benny is going to have a shot at the welterweight and middleweight titles.

Benny, as some may recall, won the title from Freddie Welsh on May 28, 1917, about the time the bands began playing "Over There."

He met a number of the toughest contenders but no one could beat him, so he finally threw in his gloves in 1924 and went to Hollywood.

Benny and Jack are confident they can get into the swim again and make a good showing.

As far as we can find out Benny didn't talk to Fido La Paro about this comeback business—United Press.

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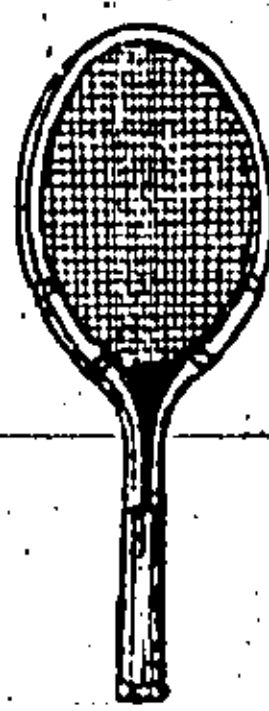


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INVISIBLE FLIGHT.

Desenzane (Lake Garda, Italy), July 5.

It is now possible, says Harold Pemberton, Motoring Correspondent of the Daily Express, to give a full and authoritative statement concerning Italy's intentions in connection with the Schneider Trophy seaplane contest at Calshot in September.

Unless her new machines crack up during official flying trials, which are to take place next week, Italy is definitely coming over to challenge Britain for the supremacy of the air.

There is no question whatever of her machines not being ready. One of her machines has already been in the air.

Since that machine was up a new machine, equipped with two new Fiat engines, on which Italy's hopes are based, has been flying at intervals during the week-end over Lake Garda.

Two other new machines are almost ready to take the air.

I am writing from Desenzane, the headquarters of the little band of Italian speed kings, as they are called here, who are training like athletes to meet our young men in the fastest air speed duel ever staged.

In a little blue lagoon, where the fish may be seen some 20 feet below the surface of the glass-clear water, is moored a silver speed chariot—the mystery machine which was supposed not to have matured.

It is concealed by a very high fence and is guarded by troops.

But it is there, a very solid and a very beautiful object.

From a vantage point I was able in the early hours of the morning to see the machine on her trials.

It was piloted by Flight Captain Monte, the ex-professional Italian footballer, who came over to England last year with the Schneider Trophy team.

He is a handsome young man clear of eye, and with an athletic frame, an altogether worthy rival of our own dare-devil pilots of the Royal Air Force.

The machine leaped off one water in a flash. In the early morning sunlight it looked like a large salmon leaping for a fly. It streaked into the air, and in a second was out of sight.

Silver Streak.

For some time, although there was a continual booming noise that echoed and re-echoed among the mountains, the silver grey machine was invisible.

For a second, as the machine flashed by the lake of Garda, one caught a glimpse of a silver streak against the background of green sea.

But for the rest it was just a phantom creature of the sky awakening echoes from one mountain to another, until it suddenly emerged and gracefully flitted down again into the blue lagoon.

I am able to state on the best authority that the preliminary trials have been successful.

The new machine has two engines, each developing 1,500 horse power. At full speed they are designed to give a flying speed of slightly over 400 miles an hour.

It is believed that a speed very nearly approaching this was reached in the practice flight I was able to watch.

Earlier in the year I saw a number of trial flights at Lake Garda in last year's machines. The new machine appeared in comparison to be infinitely faster.

I make these facts clear because ill-informed statements have been circulated to the effect that Italy is not taking the forthcoming contest seriously.

The whole nation is behind the coming contest. Italy is definitely keen to lead the world in flying.

"BRIGHTER" CRICKET!

YORKSHIRE WIN IN USUAL WAY.

BECOMING HABIT.

Bowley Hits the Only Century.

GLOUCESTER SURPRISED.

London, Yesterday.—There were two series of sensational declarations made during the week-end cricket programme which will be added to the ever-increasing list.

At Bradford, Northants declared with only 4 runs on the board; Yorkshire adopted the same policy; Northants failed miserably before Verity (7 for 62) and were dismissed for 86; and Yorkshire won their thirteenth victory of the season by five wickets.

At Edgbaston, Leicestershire declared before scoring and Warwickshire followed suit. In their second venture, Leicesters scored 179 without loss and again declared. Warwickshire had little time to force a win and thus participated in the first drawn game which has followed on these new fashionable freak declarations.

Only one century was registered, Bowley scoring 102 at Hastings—his fifth of the season. Kent were fortunate in being able to hold the fort for the extra point a drawn game would have given them.

The New Zealanders, played dazzling cricket at Clifton and surprised Gloucestershire, the county losing by the big margin of an innings and 25 runs. Parker captured six wickets but proved expensive.

Full results as cabled by Reuter were as follow.

Somersetshire beat Worcestershire by seven wickets at Weston-super-Mare.
Scores:—
Worcesters: 164 and 100.
Somerset: 159 and 106 for 3.

Essex took first innings points from Glamorganshire at Cowbridge.
Scores:—
Essex: 149 (Merces 5 for 66).
173 for five wickets.
Glamorgan: 89 (H. T. O. Smith 6 for 30).
45 for one wicket.

Yorkshire beat Northamptonshire by five wickets at Bradford.

Scores:—
Northants: 4 for no wicket dec.; 86 (Verity 7 for 62).
Yorkshire: 4 for no wicket dec.; 88 for five wickets.

Notts drew with Derbyshire at Trent Bridge, Nottingham.

Scores:—
Notts: 147.
Derby: 86 for 6.

The following were the most noteworthy batting and bowling feats accomplished during the week-end cricket programme:—

Batting.
Bowley (Sussex) 102 || Verity (Yorkshire) | 7 for 62 |
Lee (Middlesex)	6 for 60
Parker (Gloucester)	6 for 101
H. T. O. Smith (Essex)	5 for 30
Merces (Glamorgan)	5 for 65

Sussex drew with Kent at Hastings.
Scores: 361 for 9 dec. (Bowley 102).
Kent: 262 for 8.

Leicestershire drew with Warwickshire at Edgbaston, Birmingham.
Leicesters: 0 for no wicket dec.; 179 for no wicket dec.
Warwickshire: 0 for no wicket dec.; 85 for three wickets.

There was no play in the match between Lancashire and Hampshire at Manchester.

FRIENDLY.

The New Zealanders beat Gloucestershire by an innings and 25 runs at Clifton.

Scores:—
Gloucesters: 123 and 109.
New Zealand: 287 for 9 dec. (Parker 6 for 101).

Surrey drew with Middlesex at the Oval.
Scores:—
Surrey: 187. (Lee 6 for 60).
Middlesex: 155 for 8.

Century List.
The following have scored centuries in the County Championship competition this season:—
Holmes (Yorkshire v. Warwick) 250
Holmes (Yorkshire v. Lancashire) 125
Hendren (Middlesex v. Notts) 232
Hendren (Middlesex v. Warwick) 189
Hendren (Middlesex v. Sussex) 125

Hendren (Middlesex v. Gloucester) 117	Hendren (Middlesex v. Warwick) 109
Sutcliffe (Yorkshire v. Kent) 230	Sutcliffe (Yorkshire v. Lancashire) 195
Sutcliffe (Yorkshire v. Leicesters) 187	Sutcliffe (Yorkshire v. Somerset) 183
Sutcliffe (Yorkshire v. Warwick) 129	Sutcliffe (Yorkshire v. Middlesex) 120
Sutcliffe (Yorkshire v. Hampshire) 107	Parks (Hants v. Essex) 200
Woolley (Kent v. Yorkshire) 188	Woolley (Kent v. Northants) 168
Woolley (Kent v. Lancashire) 108	Woolley (Kent v. Warwick) 103
Woolley (Kent v. Somerset) 175	Sandham (Surrey v. Glamorgan) 100
Sandham (Surrey v. Hampshire) 113	Sandham (Surrey v. Derby) 107
Sandham (Surrey v. Gloucester) 100	G. T. S. Stevens (Middlesex v. Warwick) 170
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Hammond (Gloucester v. Warwick) 100	Shepherd (Surrey v. Essex) 167
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Hopwood (Lancashire v. Warwick) 126	Langridge (Sussex v. Glamorgan) 161
Walters (Worcester v. Northants) 153	Dacre (Gloucester v. Northants) 165
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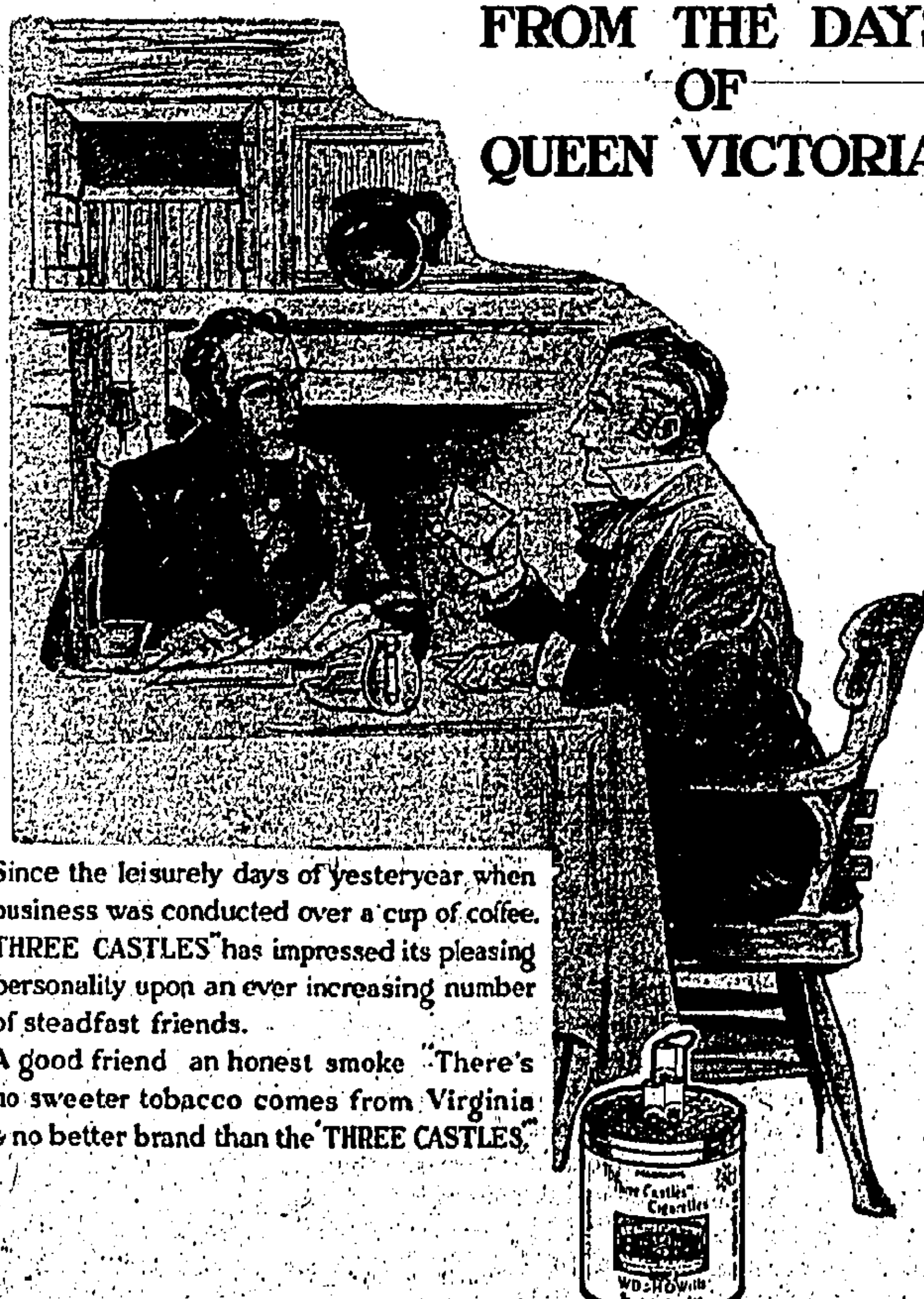
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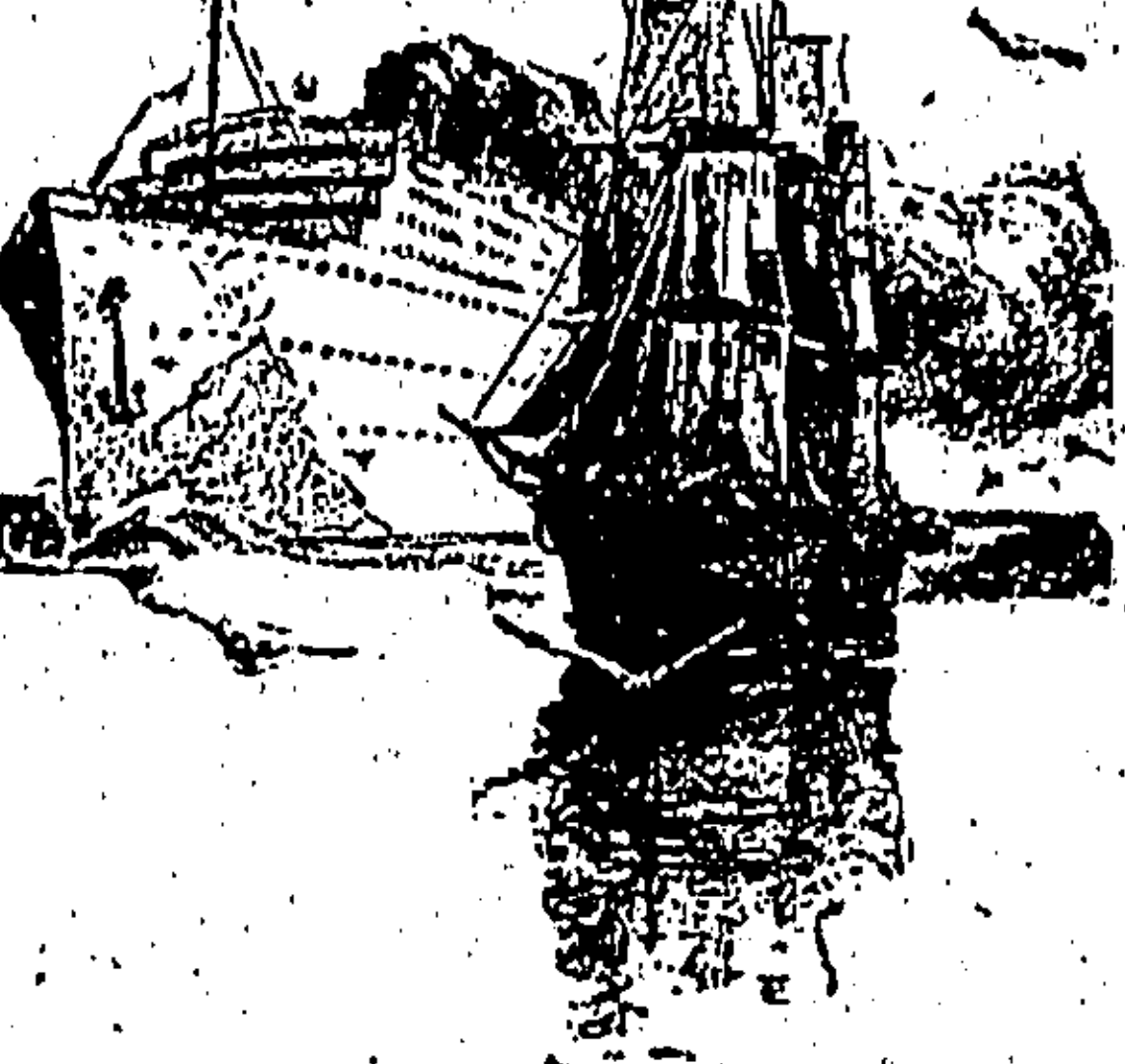
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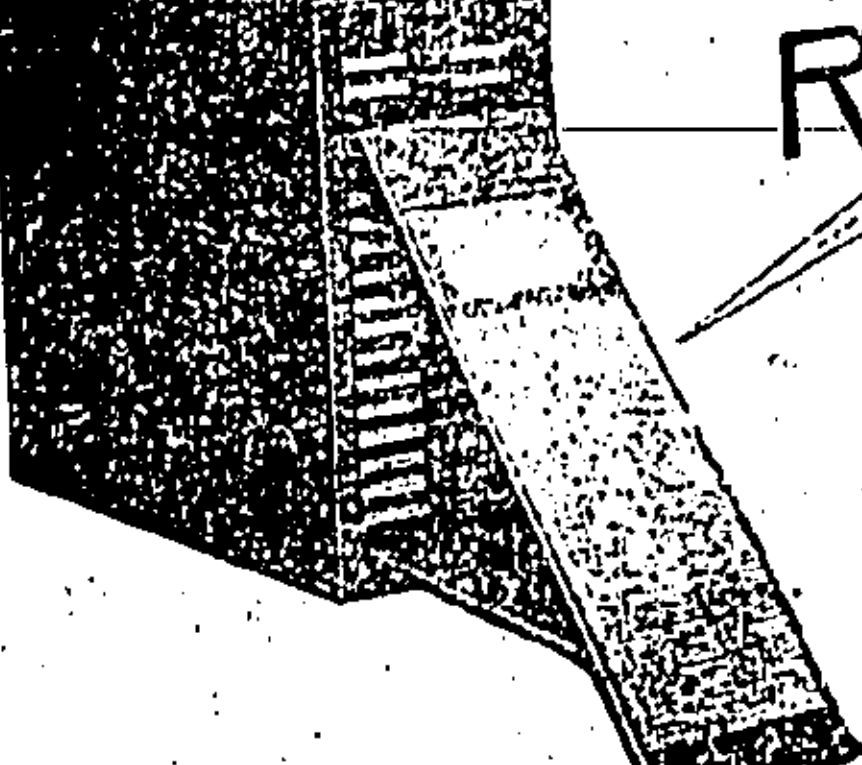
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Sussex (7)	23	9	5	0	1
Kent (5)	24	9	7	3	3
Lancashire (1)	24	6	4	7	5
Derbyshire (9)	24	5	8	3	0
Warwickshire (15)	24	5	4	7	4
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The figures in brackets were the positions occupied by the counties at the close of the 1930 season. The method of scoring this year is as follows:—15 points for a win; 7½ points for a tie; 5 points for a win on the first innings and 3 points for a loss on first innings; 4 points for a tie on the first innings and 2 points for a no result.



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Control of Rubber.

So many have been the rumours in connection with the rubber industry that the cable published on Tuesday, embodying the Financial Times' Amsterdam correspondent's gleanings of the Dutch Government's policy for the future, will be accepted with reserve by those essentially concerned.

The one hopeful feature of the news is the adoption of a policy. Such a decision has long been overdue. As the cable says, "things cannot much longer be left to take their own course." That, exactly, is what all rubber interests have been saying since rubber fell into a decline.

In Malaya, on the subject of control—a much better word than restriction, with all its implications—there are two clearly defined camps. And they are about equally divided. On the one hand, there are the staunch supporters of a "survival of the fittest" policy. They, seemingly, have the backing of the Malayan Government, as it was His Excellency Sir Cecil Clementi who first used this phrase to indicate his leanings in the controversy which raged shortly before he went home on leave last year. This camp is mainly composed of European rubber interests.

On the other side of "no man's land" are gathered the Oriental rubber interests and a few European interests. They are solidly in favour of some form of control, either voluntary or compulsory. They favour the former, but appreciate the difficulties in the way of operation, so are prepared to submit even to some compulsory measure of control to set the industry on its feet again.

The campaign has been conducted vigorously by both sides, and it has gone, so far, rather more in favour of the "survival of the fittest" camp, mainly because of better and more astute leadership, and because it has greater resources, and the ear of the Government which, seemingly, is more sympathetically attuned to its burden of song.

But the campaign on behalf of the Oriental rubber interests,

has been almost as well and ably led. It has had difficulties to overcome within its camp, which it has since successfully done, and it has now coalesced and organised itself into a body whose views cannot be lightly turned aside.

There is much to be said for both sides, and that much has already been said clearly and forcefully by a great many people. It is unnecessary to recapitulate the arguments employed by both camps, the one to make out a case for non-interference with the industry, the other to make out as equally a good case for a measure of control.

Malaya, and the rubber industry, may be left to fight out its own battles and find a way back to a normal state of affairs. But the main point is how to find that way back with the lowest common measure of hardship to all interests affected.

As one considers the pros and cons of the controversy, one cannot help feeling that right is on the side of those who favour control, but it has to be recognised it is a right divorced from might. But, when mercantile and trading interests engage in a fight for supremacy, and that fight jeopardises the prospects of a country for a long period of years and, in its train, brings bankruptcy, ruin, and starvation to a very large number of people, it surely seems reasonable to expect a Government, whose interests are the peoples' interests, to step in and protect them from the depredations of the few, especially when, in the general welfare, the interests will not co-operate for the common good.

There is, of course, the old-time repugnance to Governmental interference in the realm of trade and commerce; and there is the argument to answer that all trade and commerce is finally and essentially just a case of "survival of the fittest." Both are, unfortunately, very live facts, and cannot be ignored.

One other point in this matter has to be considered. That is, even the stoutest champions of some form of measure of control are convinced that such is only feasible, if there is full co-operation by other rubber producing countries, especially the

Dutch East Indies. The experience of almost a decade ago is today remembered in Malaya, and rubber interests there are determined that Malaya again must not be left to "carry the baby."

To-day, the present Governor-General of the Dutch East Indies is a bitter opponent of any form of control. He may have very sound reasons for being so opposed, but the main reason hitherto advanced, namely, protection of native interests in the Dutch East Indies, does not seem to ring true. For it has been shown how these very interests are being prejudiced by the non-adoption of control. It has been shown, also convincingly, on the other hand, how they will benefit from a control of rubber. What the other reasons are for stiffening his opposition have not been revealed, and this secrecy, naturally, has been adversely commented upon.

So, as the new Governor-General, due to arrive next month, is not being committed to the policy of his predecessor, it is possible that the Dutch East Indies may yet see its way to co-operate with Malaya in the matter of control.

If, on the other hand, it is found impossible to revise the present policy, Malaya may be expected to realise, at last, that a "fight to the finish" must be embarked upon. In this quite unnecessary and barbarous campaign of "survival of the fittest," the interests in Malaya will sink differences, gird up loins, and whoever is the survivor, it will not be the Dutchman.

Mail Commentary.

Alarming Poster.

It has been represented to us that the contents of our poster of yesterday appears to have caused annoyance to many of our valued readers, as being of too alarming a nature.

This was based on the following extract from a cable received through Reuter's Agency:— "... stressed importance, drastic economies if national bankruptcy to be avoided. Cabinet Committee... should meet immediately to concert measures salvation."

As will be seen from to-day's cables, the British Cabinet is taking prompt measures to deal with the necessity for economy stressed in the Economy Report.

The Nautilus.

The Nautilus seems to be one of those "unlucky vessels." Once again she has developed engine trouble, and now is reported adrift and at the mercy of currents and tides. Much sympathy will be felt for Sir Hubert Wilkins in this second set-back. It will be recalled that on route to Europe and America the Nautilus was disabled at sea. She was finally towed to safety in Ireland and from there to England, where repairs were carried out. It is now understood that Sir Hubert had very materially curtailed his programme for this year, and intended making only a limited exploration of the Arctic regions. The second mishap may oblige him to abandon the enterprise all together for the present. As the Nautilus is said to have been accompanied by a Norwegian warship anxiety for the safety of her crew may be discounted heavily.

Poseldon.

Barring sensational mongers and fiends, few will find fault with the Admiralty's request that no reference be made to the Poseldon in the "talkie" that Elstree is about to make of the recent tragedy in China waters. As a matter of fact, Elstree might be well advised, for the present, to abandon its proposition, which already has been described as "gruesome." It may be showing initiative and up-to-dateness, but the tragedy has been the cause of wounds to many which are yet raw and will only the more be exacerbated by the picture when shown. It is to be regretted, also, that

Party Officer Willis should have

been prevailed upon to lend himself for the purpose. The time has come when public curiosity and sensationalism stand in dire need of a curb.

Airmen in Trouble.

Pangborn and Herndon are in trouble in Japan. But they have themselves alone to blame. The Japanese law and regulations concerning flying over fortified areas, and the carrying of photographic material, especially cameras, is very clear and well known. Those who contravene the regulations have themselves alone to blame, and the action of the Japanese authorities cannot be regarded as drastic. No doubt the American airmen will be released shortly, but the lesson they have learned ought to be studied by all world fliers.

Non-Co-operation Again.

Bombay feels itself slighted in the matter of representation at the Round Table Conference—only one of its three nominees having been invited to go to London. So, in order to make somebody sit up and take notice, the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce has decided to boycott the Conference. This is so childish that one is astonished such a method should have been decided upon by a reputed body of men of affairs and business. Bombay is, undoubtedly, an important and wealthy city—possibly the wealthiest in India—but Bombay is not India.

News in Brief.

The highest open air temperature yesterday was 83 degrees. The humidity was 80 at 10 a.m. and 75 at 4 p.m.

Mr. William Russell, Government Marine Surveyor, to-day completes 27 years in the service of the Harbour Department.

Silk forwarded from here by the Empress of Japan on July 18 arrived in New York (St. John's Park) and Hoboken on August 9, having been 22 days in transit.

The forthcoming wedding is announced by Clayton Leonard Seitz, living at the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, and Lilla Rita Gallaway, en route to Hong Kong on the s.s. President Wilson.

Two returned banished men made an appearance in the Kowloon Police Court this morning, and were sent to jail for 12 months each with hard labour, for disobeying the banishment order.

Mr. Sun Fo has returned to Canton from Hong Kong accompanied by Mr. Yu Ming, of Chung Shan, and Mr. Lo In-nin. The latter is chairman of the purchasing commission of the Canton Railway.

Dr. P. C. Hsieh, of the Ministry of Finance, Canton, is visiting the Colony in an official capacity. Dr. Hsieh is making a tour and inspecting the various Customs houses in the district, afterward proceeding to Hainan Island and Kwang Chow Wan on a similar mission.

The funeral of Mr. Guilherme Severiano Botelho, whose death occurred yesterday morning at the home of his son, Mr. N. U. Botelho, 19, Mosque Street, took place at the Roman Catholic cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening, being attended by a large gathering of mourners.

Fung Shun, a house boy at 105 Stafford Road, Kowloon Tong, has reported to the Police that at about 4.30 p.m. yesterday he was bitten in the left side by a Chinese Chow dog owned by Lam Yiu-ming, of 6 Stafford Road. He received medical treatment, whilst the dog was conveyed to Metakok for observation.

The film star, Edmund Lowe, seems to be in great demand just now. To-day he is both at the King's Theatre in "Scotland Yard" with Joan Bennett, and at the Majestic Theatre in "Men on Call" with Mae Clarke. He is also appearing at the next change of programme at the King's Theatre in "Don't Bet On Women" with Jeanette MacDonald, star of "The Love Parade," "Monte Carlo," and "The Lottery Bride."

NEWS IN ADVTS.

A quantity of radio and electrical goods and 20 cases green pens, will be auctioned on Friday at 11 a.m. by Messrs. Lamont Brothers.

ANOTHER BRITISH PICTURE.

"Scotland Yard" at King's Theatre.

SHOWING TO-DAY.

"Scotland Yard," showing at the King's Theatre to-day, is very well worth seeing if only for the glimpses of the Home Country which are shown all too seldom during the course of the story.

Judging the film on the story the only real criticism to offer is that it is a little fantastic and that the Scotland Yard officials are just a little too shrewd. The photography is excellent and the sound is perfect. One is not forced to listen to the American drawl in the heart of London and that is one of the chief attributes of the picture. The opening scene strikes a new note and gives quite a pleasant sensation to the spectator expecting to be confronted with the now almost inevitable scene of night life, vaudeville turns, or the morning after the night before, which greatly precede the latest "hit."

Edmund Lowe in the dual role of "Dakin Barrolles," a wanted criminal, and that of "Sir John Lasher, the bank manager," gives an extraordinarily good rendering of two totally conflicting characters. John Bennett as Sir John's wife typifies the modern aristocrat forced into a financial marriage with delightful ease and refreshing exuberance.

To attempt to describe the action in the story would be to rob a good picture of its attraction, and all that is left to be said about it is that it is a good straightforward picture unsullied by blood curdling scenes.

SMUGGLER FINED HEAVILY.

Wine and Tobacco on a Junk.

WELL CONCEALED.

A Chinese, cook on board a junk, was produced in the Kowloon Police Court this morning and charged with having unlawful possession of (a) seven gallons of wine, and (b) eight pounds of Chinese tobacco.

Revenue Officer Humphries said, he stopped a junk in Capatsumun Pass at 12.15 a.m. this morning, and found the wine concealed under bundles of firewood. The tobacco was hidden under the bilge board. The crew of the junk pointed out the cook as the man responsible for the smuggling.

Fines of \$150 on the first charge and \$100 on the second charge were imposed, or in default two months' imprisonment.

SHIP SINKS.

H.M.S. Sepoy Proceeds To Scene.

H.M.S. Sepoy left Hong Kong yesterday and is proceeding to Nam Kwan Harbour to stand by the s.s. Wai Shing should she require protection.

The Sepoy expects to arrive at Nam Kwan this afternoon. The s.s. Wai Shing, which sank near Amoy yesterday, is one of the fleet of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. managers), and is registered in Hong Kong. She is a steel screw steamer of 1,865 (1,170 net) tonnage. She was built in 1903 by Messrs. Wigham-Richardson & Co., Ltd., Newcastle, and has the following dimensions: Length 275.3; breadth 40; depth 12.9.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of August 12, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/8 %.

Medals were presented by the General Officer Commanding (Major-General Sir C. M. Kirkpatrick) this morning to 89 war-patriotic officers, non-commissioned officers, and men of the R.G.A., who served in the Great War. The parade took place at Murray Barracks and was under the command of Lieut.-Col. W. O. S. Saunders, C.R.A., assisted by the Adjutant, Major Hickling, D.S.O. The medals presented included a 1914 star with clasp, and two roses, 14, 1914-15 stars, 31 British war medals and 30 Victory medals.

REVELATIONS ABOUT A STAR

Mock Trial of Sir James Jeans.

NOT GUILTY.

Leaves Court Without A Star on His Character.

The Charge.

That, being a member of the human race and domiciled on the earth, he, Sir James Jeans, has willfully hatched his wagon to a star, thereby causing alarm and despondency among his fellowmen.

Counsel for the Prosecution.

My lord and members of the jury—
The defendant is an inhabitant of this earth. All the amenities which he enjoys are due to the exertions of other and earlier members of the human race; at every step he has to thank Man, the highest product of nature; that he is not still living up a tree.

Therefore one might reasonably suppose that the defendant, having thus a debt of gratitude, if not a duty, towards his fellowmen, should so direct his activities as to benefit them. Yet how does he discharge his duty? He deliberately turns from this world and surveys remote points of light in the distant universe. Rather than employ himself in the earth's affairs, he prefers to speculate on the nature of the heavenly bodies. He has deserted Man to toy with Betelgeuse.

Judge.—What are Betelgeuse?
Counsel.—Betelgeuse is a star, my lord. In short, the defendant, gentlemen of the jury, has hatched his wagon to a mere star, realises that a mere twinkling star. The exact star is not specified. It may be Wolf, 359, the faintest known; it may be Sirius, the brightest.

Judge.—Don't say "it may be." It is serious. Very serious.
Counsel.—Sirius is just another star, my lord. Now this serious crime—very well, my lord, this grave crime—is made even more grave by its consequences.

The defendant has not concealed his evil star-peeking practices; he has actually given them publicity by writing books. Worse, these books have sold widely, unfortunately no doubt by very reason of the subversive teaching they contain, their outspoken relation of the intimacies of a star's life, their revealing of the details of the birth of a nebula, their...

Judge.—Counsel for the Prosecution must keep to the point. The defendant is not being charged with publishing obscene literature. You wish to say that his views on stars are widely circulated. The point is taken.

Counsel.—Thank you, my lord. The defendant is widely circulating his own revolutionary belief—namely, that the stars are more important than this earth and ourselves. Can anything more disturbing be imagined, more calculated to alarm and depress the human race?

He has actually said that 25 million of our suns could be packed inside Betelgeuse. Consider the effect of that disgraceful pronouncement upon, say, Mr. John Smith, of Balham, daily catching the 8.49 to London. He suddenly realises that a mere twinkling star could contain 30 million earths; and incalculable one million Balhams.

Gentlemen of the jury, Mr. Smith will certainly not trouble to catch the 8.49; or probably ever to go to London again. He will just sit around home in black despair of his own futility. Yet it is by the humdrum labours of the John Smiths of this world that our civilisation progresses.

Doubtless the defence will say that to hitch a wagon to a star is excusable in a scientist garnering knowledge. That is no defence.

Scientific research is only excusable when it has practical results, such as the steam-engine or the aeroplane. Even this is doubtful when one considers other practical achievements of science, such as the concrete-mixer, the solo motor-bike, Grosvenor House and dial telephone. But knowledge such as the defendant's is not even practical. Why the very phrase "hitching a wagon to a star" is picked up by the sun were a pea in a field—circumstances, the nearest star would be a small seed in Birmingham does nobody any good. No man can keep his job or his head or his wife by selecting that a square inch of the surface of the hottest star would provide

enough power to drive the Mauretania at full speed. If it did so drive the Mauretania the matter might be different, writes Anthony Armstrong in the Evening Standard.

No, I submit that the defendant, by willfully hitching his wagon to a star, is guilty of destroying Man's confidence both in himself as the highest product of nature and in his world as the practical if not the actual centre of the universe.

Counsel for the Defence.

My lord and members of the jury—
Counsel for the prosecution has spoken at length, but has brought forward no single witness to say that my client's action in nobly hitching his wagon to a star has caused any specific alarm. He has not even produced Mr. John Smith, of Balham, to say that he has become despondent or is beginning to mope the 8.49. He has proved nothing except that my client is a scientist, and to be a scientist is in these days no longer a crime. Each must be judged on individual merits.

As opposing counsel has said, the praiseworthy researches of some have produced the steam-engine and the aeroplane; others, on the contrary, have given us the solo motor-bike, which certainly causes alarm, and the dial telephone, which certainly causes despondency. But my client is not responsible for the dial telephone, the concrete-mixer or any other evil manifestation of the age. He has adopted a harmless pursuit which interferes with nobody.

The pursuit of astronomy is not rowdy. It does not involve shattering noise, or the enforced use of complicated mechanical devices by inexperienced citizens. Rather, such results as my client's action may have in inducing others to interest themselves in astronomy are actually beneficial.

How much better, I ask you, is it for the race that its young men and girls should spend their evenings quietly studying the stars of Heaven in the open air than the stars of Hollywood in a theatre?

I have said enough to show that the defendant is not the menace you are asked to believe, and in conclusion I will specifically refute the charge of destroying man's self-confidence.

It is universally conceded that in ages to come this earth will grow too cold to support life. Is it not highly probable that these very researches of the defendant will by then have enabled the human race to select from the many stars with which it has become acquainted a warmer globe to which to transfer the torch of human life?

So far from destroying humanity's confidence, the defendant has given it confidence in its future. He has actually helped Earth, itself accounted a star. If he has hitched his wagon to a star, it is then to this star we inhabit that he has hitched it.

The Judge Sums Up.

This seems to be a Sirius matter. (Prolonged but anxious laughter from both counsel). But the real point at issue is not whether the defendant's action in connecting up his vehicle to some unspecified heavenly body has had beneficial consequences; nor whether it is without any consequences, at all; but whether it has, had alarming and depressing consequences upon his fellowmen. That is what you must consider.

Verdict.

Not Guilty.—Commenting upon the verdict the Judge remarked that the defendant left the court without a star upon his character. (Prolonged laughter in which Counsel for the Prosecution did not this time trouble to join).

The boot and shoe industry in Canada revived strikingly in March and April this year, according to a report of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics compiled from 164 of the 170 factories operating in the country. The output in April was 1,669,917 pairs as against 1,674,405 pairs in April, 1930, and 1,492,824 pairs in April, 1929. The March production figure was 1,739,930 pairs as against 1,894,865 pairs in March, 1930, and 1,712,882 pairs in March, 1929.

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"How do you judge the men who come before you, seeking employment, or offering you some business proposition?" was the question which The Sunday Sun put to a number of Sydney business men. "Do you put any faith in judgment at first sight?"

100 Per Cent. Correct.

"Certainly do," said the assistant manager of Amalgamated Wireless (Mr. Grime). "If you're going to ask me how I do it, I am afraid I cannot tell you—I don't know myself. I cannot call to mind a single serious instance in which that first rough judgment of mine has been wrong; I fancy it is very nearly 100 per cent. correct. Only a few days ago I interviewed a man who will occupy a very important position here. A scientific job, it required definite academic qualifications, and as he was a University man there was no doubt about his. The qualifications were necessary, but they were not all. It was the sort of job that would grow, and it needed a man who could grow with it."

"The only thing was to talk to this chap, and to let him open himself out a bit. I had formed a first rough judgment of him, as he walked across the room to me, and I thought he would do. His conversation confirmed that opinion; and what clinched it was the fact that he was not willing to leave his present job at the moment, because he was interested in an experiment he was making, and he wanted to see it through. Later, he saw Mr. Flisk, who confirmed my judgment. That's my method."

Mr. W. R. Carpenter, managing director of two companies, did not wholly endorse this view, however.

"References are not a damn-bit of use in sizing up a man," he said. "I judge first of all by a man's manner, and I am influenced chiefly by his eyes. After that I talk to him, and try to see what he really is. The only use of references is the people who give them. Look at the references, and then go and see the people who wrote them."

You get a true reference that way. There is the story of a gardener who came along with this reference, from an employer who had been badly cheated by him, but who did not like to say anything unpleasant on paper: "He has got more out of my garden than anyone else," he wrote, as a reference.

Wife's Instinct.

"In important matters, Mr. Carpenter, do you sometimes take a business acquaintance home, relying on the value of your wife's instinct of the sort of chap he is?"

"No," said Mr. Carpenter. "Women's instincts rely on external things—they are not much help."

"On the whole, yes, I do rely on my first judgments," said General A. T. Anderson, private secretary to the Governor. It was his business to judge many men during the war. "It is true that there are a few faces of a neutral type, which hide the characters of their owners, but most people show quite clearly by their faces what they are like. I can tell at a first glance, and that first glance is usually more accurate than subsequent observations. Second and third glances at a new face serve only to confuse one's opinions—the first glance is always right. My method of judgment has seldom let me down."

"I am reminded of Lady Macbeth's words, 'Your face, my theme, is as a book.' So are most of our faces."

One of the most cautious of men was the Deputy Postmaster General, Mr. Kitch. "Yes, I do make first judgments as a man enters my room," he said.

Shower Bath Parade Forthcoming.

TWINS RECALLED.

There is a strong suspicion that a woman has succeeded in enlisting in the Foreign Legion and has, so far, escaped detection.

According to the notice from the Legion headquarters at Sidi-bel-Abbes, a watch is to be kept on all soldiers of the Legion at a forthcoming bathing parade, when everyone will have to pass under a shower bath.

The authorities mean to be certain that no soldier shall take another's place. This happened once in the case of German twins, brother and sister, who joined the Legion in 1908. At the various medical examinations the male twin passed, the inspection twice—once for himself and once for his sister, who remained in hiding while her brother impersonated her. It was not until the girl had served for six months as a soldier of the Legion that the trick was discovered through the commander's insistence on the complete roll-call for the shower bath parade, says the Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph.

Similar precautions are to be taken now, so that the regiment in which identities are cloaked in mystery be sure that its members are all males.

mitted, "but I often readjust them. My method is to come to some rough conclusion in the first minutes of an interview, but to be careful still to keep an open mind on the matter. I do not believe in placing too much faith in one's instincts—otherwise, an injustice may be done."

"I recognise in a moment whether a man or a woman who comes along seeking a job is going to be any good to me," said the general manager of J. C. Williamson's, Mr. C. B. Westmacott. "I haven't any idea how I know, but I do know that they always come up to touch."

Walk And Appearance.

Mr. D. McNeill, staff manager of David Jones's, thinks that about 95 per cent. of his first-sight judgments are correct—judgments which are based on the following:—Firstly, walk, appearance, and clothes; secondly, voice, manner, mode of address; thirdly, experience and personality, as it expresses itself.

"People who come to me for positions fall naturally into three classes," he said. "There is the peak class, whose personality and intelligence impress one immediately; next, the intermediate class, which can only be estimated after very careful study; and finally the zero type, which is just as easily rejected as the peak type is accepted."

Naturally, I make first-sight impressions as an applicant walks into my office; but the difficulty of deciding the true worth of the big intermediate class has taught me never to make a final judgment until the applicant has had an opportunity to talk and express his or her personality. It is a tremendous subject. Everything in the end depends upon first-hand sight and sound judgment, plus instinct."

Breaks A Rule.

"A well-known author makes one of his characters state that he breaks a rule when he likes a man at first sight, or on a first impression," said Mr. A. W. Dye. "It is the character's soliloquies, all very well to go mad about a girl the first time one meets her, but it's wrong to file a man on first impressions. Obviously, he continues, a man who makes a hit the first time you meet him, is going out of his way to make you think well of him. Normal men don't do that. Commercial travellers do; and actors do; but they are not normal."

"I agree and disagree. Being an analyst and technologist, the powers of observation are perhaps more naturally developed in one of my kind than in the ordinary type of business man. This has made it more or less a habit for me to judge (or, perhaps, more rightly to assess) at first sight."

"The character, or lack of it, in most of us is indelibly outlined in the face or appearance, and a trained observation, coupled with that instinct which most of us possess, will go far in the instantaneous assessment of those who meet."

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.V., on a wavelength of 365 metres:

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

6-6.30 p.m.—Chinese Children's Programme.

7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records.

7.05-7.19 p.m.—Children's Programme.

Children's Overture (Quilter).

New Light Symphony Orchestra.

7.19-7.36 p.m.—Organ Solos.

Introduction and Fugue (Liszt).

Fantasia (Mozart), Dr. Harold Darke.

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

7.36-8.32 p.m.—A Concert.

Violin Solo—

No One Knows (Gordon).

Do You Know My Garden? (Haydn Wood) Renee Chemet.

Piano Solo—

Under the Palms (Albeniz).

Cradle Song (Brahms).

Alfred Cortot.

Song—

Last Rose of Summer (Thomas Moore).

Home Sweet Home (Payne-Sir H. Bishop).

Madam Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano).

Instrumental Trio—

Rondo (Haydn).

Hazel Gertrude Kinsella (Pianist) with Violin and Cello.

Instrumental Duet—

Sonata in A Major (Mozart).

Hazel Gertrude Kinsella (Pianist) with Violin.

Piano Solo—

Etude in A Minor (Mendelssohn).

Etude in F Major (Mendelssohn).

Sergei Rachmaninoff.

Song—

Somewhere a Voice is Calling (Newman).

Marcheta (Scherzinger).

John McCormack (Tenor).

Violin Solo—

By the Waters of Minnetonka (Laurance).

Under the Leaves (Thome).

Renee Chemet.

Piano Solo—

Waltz in C Sharp Minor (Chopin).

Waltz in A Flat Major (Chopin).

Sergei Rachmaninoff.

8.32-9 p.m.—Orchestral.

Rustic Wedding Symphony—

Bridal Song (Goldmark).

Serenade (Goldmark).

Victor Concert Orchestra.

Life in Hungary—Fantasy (Paepke).

Hungarian Rhapsody Orch. (Ernst Urich).

Fantasy of Melodies by Offenbach (Ernst Urich).

Marek Weber & His Orch.

9-9.35 p.m.—Variety.

Hawaiian Orchestra—

Sleepy Honolulu Town.

Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl.

Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.

Song—

It's a Habit of Mine.

On Top of the World, Alone.

Maurice Chevalier (Baritone).

Piano Solo—

Dorothy.

The World is Waiting for the Sunrise.

Frank Banta.

Vocal Duet—

When It's Springtime in the Rockies.

Sleepy Rio Grande.

Bud and Joe Billings.

Violin Solo—

Fagan Love Song.

My Song of the Nile.

Gulietta Morino.

9.35-9.53 p.m.—Operatic.

Tannhauser—Overture (Wagner).

Mitglieder der Staatskapelle.

Selections from Mefistofele (Bollo arr. Creator).

Mefistofele—Prologue (Bollo arr. Creator).

Bollo arr. Creator).

9.53-10.11 p.m.—Waltzes.

Eva from the Operetta "Eva" (Lehar-Schott).

Carmen Sylva (Ivanovitch).

Nat Shilkret & His International Orchestra.

Unrequited Love (Lincke).

Chocolate Soldier—Waltz Medley (Oscar Strauss).

Nat Shilkret & His International Orchestra.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

A WEEK'S DISEASES.

Typhoid, Diphtheria and Tuberculosis.

The official return of diseases and deaths during the week ended August 8 is as follows:

Cases: Deaths.

Typhoid fever..... 7..... 2

Diphtheria..... 1..... 1

Tuberculosis..... 54.....

One case of animal rabies was reported.

Summary to August 8.

The returns from January 1 to August 8, give the following figures:

Cases: Deaths.

Typhoid..... 116..... 29

Small-pox..... 14..... 9

Scarlet fever..... 8..... 25

Diphtheria..... 79..... 25

Cerebro-spinal fever..... 18..... 6

Puerperal fever..... 8..... 5

Paratyphoid fever..... 1..... 1,728

Tuberculosis..... 1,728.....

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GENERAL NOTICES.

THE BRITISH LEGION.

HONG KONG & CHINA BRANCH.

THE 10TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held at 5.15 p.m. on THURSDAY, 13th August, 1931, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Business:—

To Receive the Report and Accounts for the year 1930. To elect officers.

P. M. ROSSER, Hon. Secretary, Hong Kong, 10th August, 1931.

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By Order of the Board, C. F. Y. RIBEIRO, Acting Secretary, Hong Kong, 5th August, 1931.

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No Reference to Poseidon.

IN PROPOSED TALKIE.

London, Yesterday. At the Admiralty's request, no reference will be made to the submarine Poseidon in the "talkie" of a submarine disaster which is shortly to be made at Elstree. The original intention was to base the picture on the recent tragedy in China waters, the Admiralty lending many facilities for the production. Petty Officer Willis, the hero of the Poseidon, was to help in the production.—Reuter.

HEAVY DEFICIT.

French Railways Affairs.

DRASTIC PRUNING.

Paris, Yesterday. The French railways are faced with a deficit of eight million francs daily, and in view of this condition of affairs they are considering a scheme of drastic reorganisation.

This may involve wholesale closing down of railway stations all over the country, the remaining stations to be at least twenty-five kilometres apart and motor buses to conduct intermediate services in place of regular trains.—Reuter.

SILVER.

Under Sympathetic Consideration.

Atlantic City, Yesterday. It is formally announced that an international conference, on the silver question is under the sympathetic consideration of the American Federation of Labour.—Reuter's American Service.

GRAVE SITUATION.

Martial Law in Cuba.

Havana, Yesterday. Acting under his Congressional powers, President Machado has declared martial law, in view of the grave situation.

Ex-President Moncal is reported to have landed, in order to lead the rebel forces.—Reuter's American Service.

Participation of Italy in the World's Grain Conference to be held at Regina next year has advanced a further stage with the appointment of eight of the most prominent scientific agriculturists of the nation as the Italian national committee, headed by Prof. Giuseppe de Micheli, president of the International Agriculture Institute. Apart from arranging Italy's participation in the national exhibit, the members of the national committee will probably personally attend the exhibition together with the three secretaries who have been appointed to the committee.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—

Bank, wire 11½
Bank, on demand 11½
Bank, 4 months' sight 11 9/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/— 3/16
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Banks.

Hong Kong Bank \$ 2010 ... 1cc ... Total in 1931 (1930-31) ... Aug. 10, 31

Chartered Bank \$ 121 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 31, 31

Mercantile Bk., Ass. \$ 20 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Apr. 31, 31

Bank of Asia \$ 120 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Feb. 28, 31

Insurance.

Canton Ins. \$ 1560 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... May 12, 31

Union Ins. \$ 508 (475) ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... May 29, 31

China Underwriters \$ 305 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... May 29, 31

China Fire Ins. \$ 800 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... May 29, 31

H. K. Fire Ins. \$ 1165 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Shipping.

Douglas \$ 22 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

H. K. Steamships \$ 39 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Indo-China (Pref.) \$ 40 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Shells Bearer \$ 44/4 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Union Waterways \$ 23 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Mining.

Benguet \$ 101 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Kailash Mining Ad. s/ \$ 28/9 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Langkat (Single) \$ 105 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Shai Exploration \$ 100 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Loan \$ 1 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Rails \$ 114 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Venezuela Gold Fields \$ 21 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.

H. K. & W. Docks \$ 163 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

South Ch. Motors \$ 33 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

China Provident (old) \$ 905 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

(new) \$ 350 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Hongkew \$ 370 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

N. Engineering \$ 100 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Shanghai Docks \$ 100 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Lands, Hotels & Buildings.

H. K. & S. His. (old) \$ 17.15 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

(new) \$ 10.80 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

H. K. Lands \$ 202 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Shanghai Land \$ 39.20 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Humphreys (old) \$ 12 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

(new) \$ 212 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

H. K. Realities \$ 17.80 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Chinese Estates \$ 104 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cotton \$ 11.40 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Shanghai Cotton \$ 36 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

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Public Utilities.

H. K. Tramways \$ 21.40 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

Pak Tram (old) \$ 33 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

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China Light \$ 36 ... 1cc ... (1930-31) ... Mar. 28, 31

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HEIAN MARU	Thursday, 26th August.
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez.	Saturday, 22nd August.
FUSHIMI MARU	Saturday, 5th September.
HAKOZAKI MARU	Saturday, 22nd August.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.	Saturday, 29th September.
KITANO MARU	Saturday, 29th September.
ATSUTA MARU	Saturday, 29th September.
MANILA.	
CHICHIBU MARU	Friday, 28th August.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	Thursday, 27th August.
† NAGATO MARU	Friday, 11th September.
KAGA MARU	Friday, 11th September.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.	Saturday, 12th September.
BOKUYO MARU	Saturday, 12th September.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.	Friday, 21st August.
† KURAMA MARU	Friday, 21st August.
† TAKEOTOYO MARU	Tuesday, 1st September.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stamboul (Constantinople), Genoa.	Thursday, 13th August.
† DELAGOA MARU	Thursday, 13th August.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Saturday, 20th August.
† RANGOON MARU	Saturday, 20th August.
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† BUENOS AIRES	Buenos Aires Maru	Thurs.	3rd Sept.
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MOBASA, ZANZIBAR, DAR-ES-SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPETOWN.	Hawali Maru	Mon.	31st Aug.
THENCE TO RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Singapore & Colombo.	Sydney Maru	Sat.	5th Sept.
BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AUCKLAND & WELLINGTON via Manila.	Nitto Maru	Tues.	18th Aug.
JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services).	Burma Maru	Fri.	21st Aug.
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NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Kinnai Maru	Tues.	15th Sept.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Hokuroku Maru	Tues.	6th Oct.
SHUNKO MARU	Shunko Maru	Wed.	19th Aug.
INDAS MARU	Indas Maru	Tues.	18th Aug.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow & Pakhoi (Fortnightly).	Menado Maru	Thurs.	20th Aug.
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday).	Canton Maru	Sun.	16th Oct.
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Steamer	Leaves Hong Kong	Arrives Wuchow	Leaves Wuchow	Arrives Hong Kong
TAI MING FRI.	14th SUN.	16th MON.	17th TUES.	18th
TAI HING MON.	17th WED.	19th THURS.	20th FRI.	21st
TAI MING WED.	19th FRI.	21st SAT.	22nd SUN.	23rd
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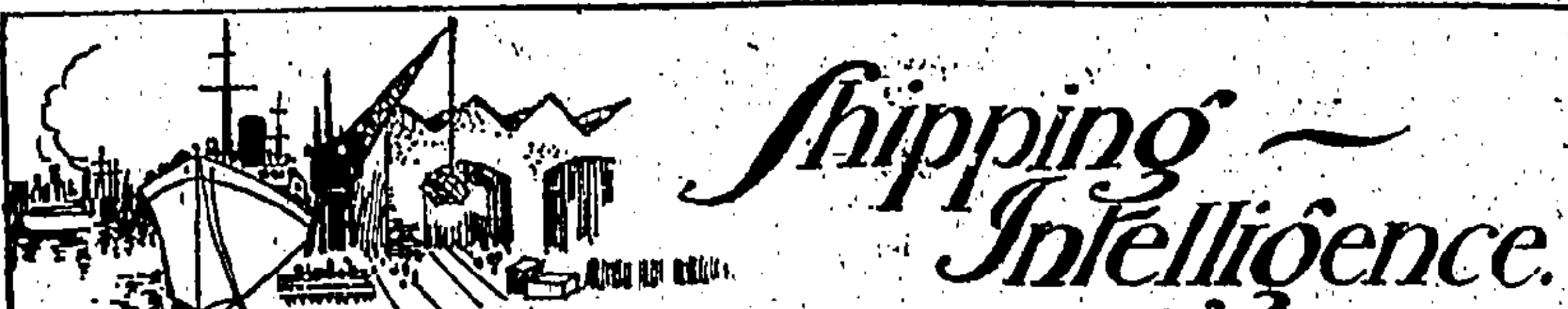
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The Tyne has turned out many docks for distant parts of the world, as, for example, Calicut and Singapore, to say nothing of Bermuda, Durban, West Africa, and other destinations, but New Zealand will mean the longest tow that such a structure has ever undertaken. The contract for towing the dock has gone, as was anticipated, to the Dutch firm of L. Smit & Co., Rotterdam, who have for many years specialised in long distance towing work. The dock was due to start on its voyage on July 16, and will, naturally, take the Suez Canal route.



DECK PASSENGERS AND SAFETY.

Questions of Concern to Eastern Travellers.

Although no report has yet been made by the Conference which recently sat at Simla to formulate a set of rules applicable to construction and life-saving appliances on ships in Eastern waters (in accordance with the conditions laid down by an International Conference on Safety of Life at Sea in May, 1929) enough is already known of the deliberations to make it obvious that if Eastern people are to travel "deck" with comfort and safety more closely approximating to those enjoyed by higher class fares than they will have to pay more for their passages.

As regards life-saving appliances, the proposals of the Committee in charge of that section were:

(1) That every lifeboat on board should be so carried as to be readily available in an emergency, and no boat should be carried which will impede the prompt handling of the boats that are available.

(2) That these readily available boats on ocean-going passenger ships should provide accommodation for all persons on board.

Safety At Sea.

In addition, the Committee suggested that light buoyant apparatus should be provided, which will float in the sea and provide persons with something to which they can cling, if, by reason of the rapid sinking of a vessel, it has been impossible to get them away in the boats.

The conference also considered, among other questions, the following two:

(1) How far are Eastern people willing to pay more than they are paying at present to receive in return more space, more service, more safety (from sufficient lifeboats), but only the same transportation?

(2) How much should Governments insist on their nationals paying for extra safety and comfort when they are satisfied with present conditions?

The results of the conference's deliberations will, of course, be known in due course, but it is very certain that if the conference insists on fewer passengers being carried and more lifeboats provided (even if not "boats for all"), the immediate result will be an increase in passenger money for deck passage.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:

Caradoc—West wall.

Cicada—South wall.

Odin—North wall.

Otus—East wall.

Seraph—North arm.

Seraph—North arm.

Stormcloud—North wall.

Tamar—Basin.

Foreign.

Helena—American gunboat.

Regulus—French sloop.

WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:—

	Aug. 9	10
West River at Shihling	21.2	19.5
North River at Samshui	6.9	6.8
North River at Taingyuen	12.5	10.0
East River at Sheklung	2.9	3.3

The highest levels recorded are:—Shihling, 41 feet; Taingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Sheklung, 11.6 feet.

The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samshui and minus 2.7 feet at Sheklung.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Monday, August 10.

Changte, British str., 2,579 tons, Captain F. C. Gambrell, from Manila, P.I., Holt's Wharf—B. & S.

Iyo Maru, Japanese str., 3,668 tons, Capt. K. Ueno, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.

Katapol, British str., 1,247 tons, Capt. J. Baldwin, from Whampoa, Wanchai Anchorage—Williamson & Co.

President Madison, American str., 8,341 tons, Capt. R. J. Healy, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf—Dollar S.S. Line.

Solviken Norwegian str., 1,435 tons, Capt. N. Norvalds, from Saigon, buoy No. C3—W. & P. Fat Sing.

Tuesday, August 11.

Ardent, Norwegian str., 1,101 tons, Capt. E. Kroger, from Bangkok, buoy No. B17—K. Langen & Co.

Canton, French str., 976 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, buoy No. B16—M. M.

Isar, German str., 5,637 tons, Capt. Hild, from Shanghai, Stonecutters Anchorage—Melchers & Co.

Kingyuan, British str., 1,546 tons, Capt. J. Taylor, from Hoihow, buoy No. A9—B. & S.

Klungchow, British str., 1,546 tons, Capt. W. J. Larter, from Swatow, buoy No. B14—B. & S.

Sidajoe, Dutch str., 1,001 tons, Capt. T. G. de Groot, from Samarinda, Yaumati Anchorage—J.G.J.L.

Tasclinda, British str., 4,052 tons, Captain P. Croft, from Los Angeles, Lai-chikok Anchorage—Standard Oil Co.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. s.s. Rajputana left Shanghai for this port on August 11 at 4 p.m., and is due here on August 14 at about 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. Kashgar from Hong Kong arrived in London on Monday, August 10.

HOW THE NAVY LIVES.

To-day's Menu and That of 140 Years Ago.

If the Navy sails, as the Army marches (writes the London Morning Post Naval Correspondent), on its stomach, there is little fear of its foundering. I have just received particulars of the food and feeding arrangements of H.M.S. Nelson, which show the advance that has been made in the comfort of the men in post-war years.

In H.M.S. Nelson 1,400 men are fed daily by cooks, who work in watches—four on duty at a time. They are provided with three oil-fuel cooking ranges and all the latest labour-saving appliances.

It is instructive to compare the victuals served out to the men in 1790 and 1931, a comparison which must make those old-world sailors turn restlessly, if not hungrily, in their graves.

Here are the respective bills of fare:

1790.

Rations for one day: 2lb. salt beef, a quantity of ship's biscuit, a gallon of beer, vegetables (seldom obtainable), 1 pint of oatmeal (occasionally).

1931.

A typical day's menu: Breakfast: Eggs and bacon, tea. Dinner: Tomato soup, roast lamb and mint sauce, baked potatoes, cabbage, rhubarb tarts, 1 gill of rum (if desired). Tea: Cake or cream buns, bread and butter, tea. Supper: Soup, veal and ham sausage, beetroot, coffee or cocoa.

If sailors fight, as well as sail, on their stomachs, the modern sailor may be expected to fight like a wildcat after his dinner or his cream bun.

HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

August 11 to 17, 1931.

Date	High Water		Low Water	
	Standard Time	Height	Standard Time	Height
Aug. 11	01.38	5.6	14.18	1.0
Tue. 12	21.43	3.9	14.18	1.0
Wed. 13	17.34	7.3	0.40	3.0
Thurs. 14	22.04	4.0	14.53	0.0
Fri. 15	08.26	7.7	01.24	3.0
Sat. 16	21.51	4.4	15.31	1.0
Sun. 17	01.12	8.0	04.40	3.0
Mon. 18	23.00	4.7	16.11	1.0
Tue. 19	23.33	4.8	16.56	0.0
Wed. 20	10.18	7.7	34.01	2.0
Thurs. 21	00.00	5.1	04.51	2.0
Fri. 22	11.35	7.4	15.10	1.0

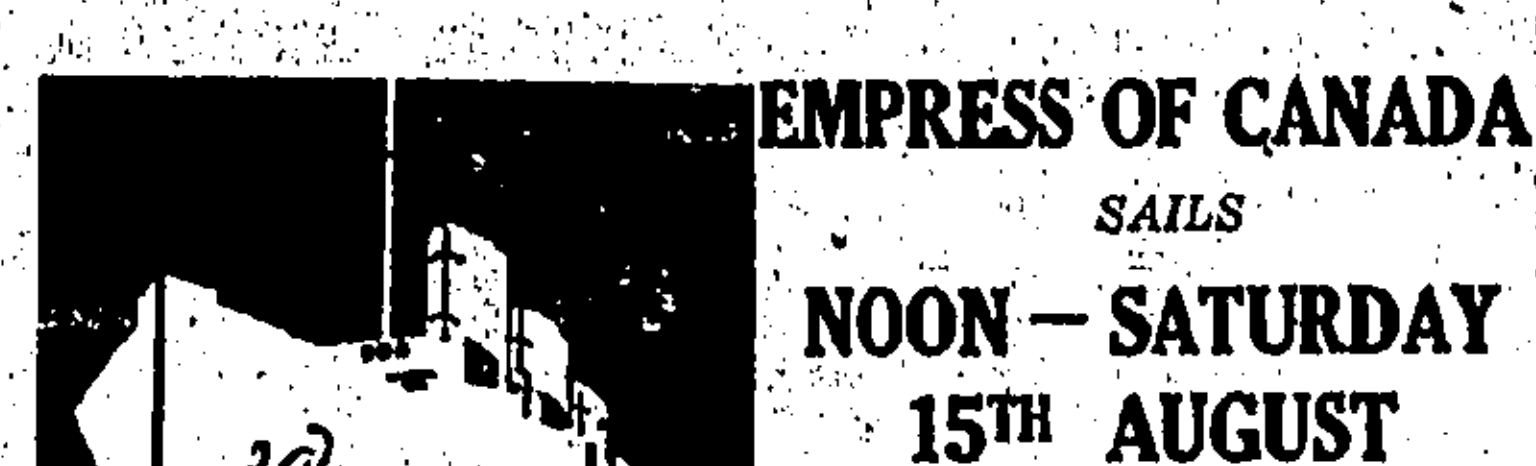
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Empress of Japan	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 17	Sept. 19	Sept. 27
Empress of Asia	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Sept. 30	Oct. 1	Oct. 3
Empress of Canada	Oct. 10	Oct. 13	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 25
Empress of Russia	Oct. 23	Oct. 26	Oct. 28	Oct. 31	Nov. 9
Empress of Japan	Nov. 7	Nov. 10	Nov. 12	Nov. 14	Nov. 22
Empress of Asia	Nov. 20	Nov. 23	Nov. 25	Nov. 28	Dec. 7
Empress of Canada	Dec. 5	Dec. 8	Dec. 10	Dec. 12	Dec. 20
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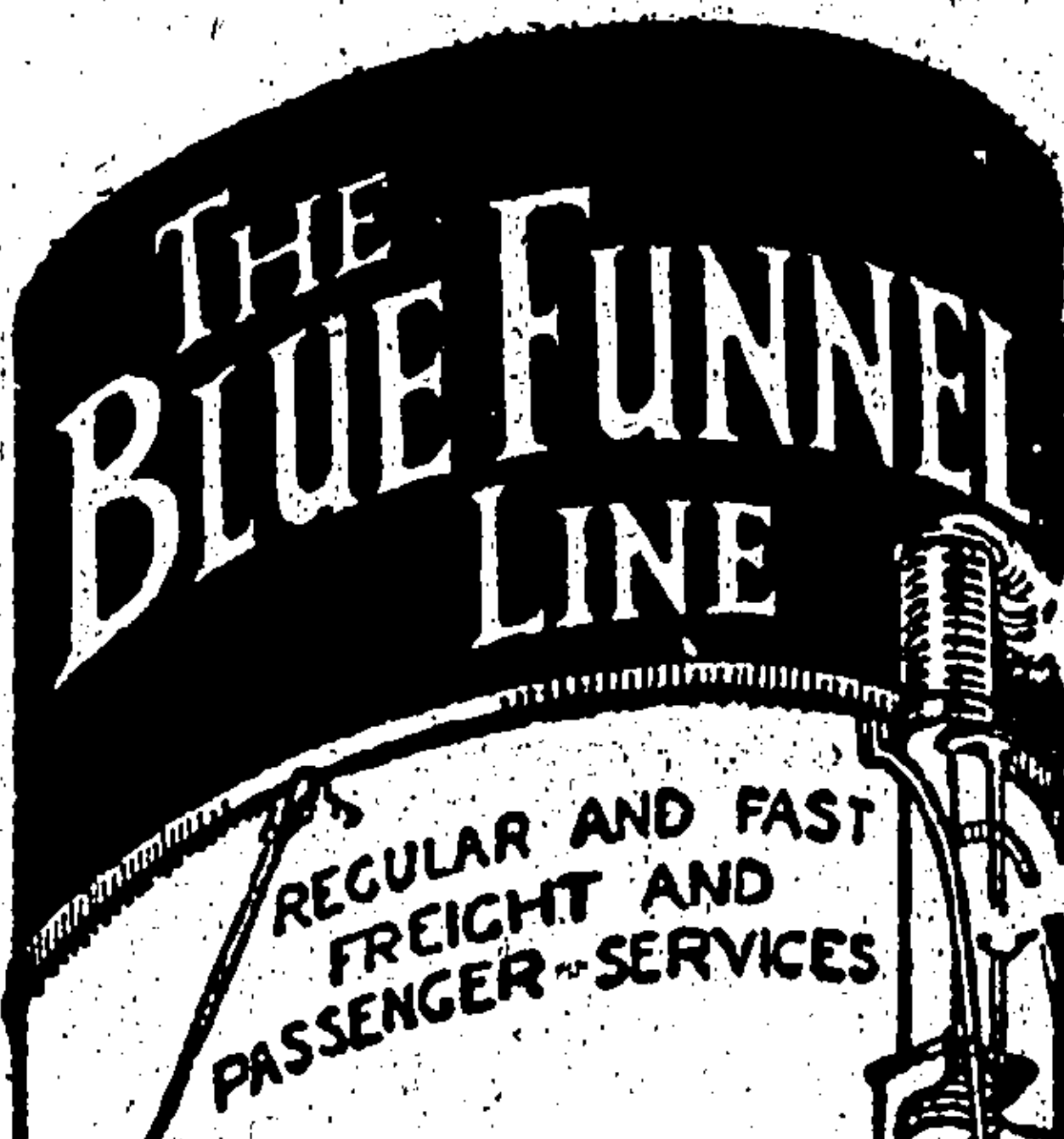
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NO REASON GIVEN.

G. A. Atkinson, London Daily
Telegraph Film Critic, writes:—

All doubts as to the attitude of
America towards British films are
set at rest by the fact that the
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Corporation
has refused to accept "The Out-
sider" for exhibition in the United
States. This decision is made in
spite of the fact that they took
the film as part of their British
quota fulfilment, and presented it
at the London Empire, a fact which
gave rise to the belief that they
would also show it in America.

"The Outsider" is, by general
consent, the best British film that
has been shown this year. It tells
a good story, it is beautifully
photographed, and it is extremely
well acted. It has been booked by
hundreds of theatres, including
most of the big circuits, at prices
which, on the whole, are 30 per
cent. in advance of those paid for
equivalent American films.

No reason is given for the re-
fusal to show "The Outsider" in
America, but the decision is per-
fectly well understood by the British
film industry.

The giant film trusts of America
have made up their minds not to
show British films, though American
theatres are closing down in
hundreds for lack of product.

They carry this dog-in-the-
manger attitude, where England
is concerned, to extraordinary
lengths. For example, the Fox
Film Corporation, which has nearly
\$4,000,000 invested in English
theatre, has just given a large pro-
ducing contract to the Tobis Com-
pany in Germany.

These British film producers who
still dream of "reciprocal" arrange-
ments with America need to be
roused from their sleep. The only
way to get British films into Amer-
ica is to buy theatres there and
show films under the auspices of a
competitive distributing organiza-
tion.

American theatres are going
cheap, and now is the time to buy
them.

CHEAPER RECORDS.

Columbia & Brunswick
Cuts.

Gramophone records are to be
cheaper (says the Evening News).
The Gramophone Company
(H.M.V.) and the Columbia
Gramophone Company, who were
chief parties in a \$17,000,000 mer-
ger a few months ago, has already
made a secret decision entailing
a cut in prices of their records, but
neither company will reveal the de-
tails.

It is understood, however, that
3s. records will be reduced to 2s.
6d., and the records of the allied
companies of the group from 2s. to
1s. 6d. as from some date two or
three months ahead yet to be fixed.
It is announced on behalf
of the American firm which manu-
factures them that Brunswick re-
corders are now reduced from 3s. to
2s. 6d.

Rumours of this reduction had
preceded the announcement.
The move for cheaper records has
a two-fold origin, the desire for
bigger trade and, urgent present
need for employment to be kept at
as high a level as possible.

So Popular.
The popularity of the gramophone
was never greater than it is now,
and manufacturers feel that the
public will be quick to take advan-
tage of a reduction in price.

In other words, there are just as
many potential buyers as ever, but
they have less to spend, and as a re-
sult the set policy of bringing
down the prices to meet the public
means has been adopted.

When the H.M.V.-Columbia mer-
ger was completed Mr. Alfred
Clark, chairman and managing
director of H.M.V., and Mr. Louis
Sterling, managing director of the
Columbia Co., prophesied to The
Evening News that the result would
be economies in production which
would be passed on to the public in
the form of cheaper goods—not
only records, but the other products
of the firms.

Romantic Rise.
The development of the gram-

phone record business is one of the
romances in commerce.

Twenty-one years ago the first
record was pressed at the H.M.V.
works at Hayes, Middlesex, and the
number made since then would
provide a continuous programme
lasting 1,000 years.

The rise of the Columbia com-
pany was spectacular. It was re-
gistered only in 1917, largely for
the purpose of taking over an
American business which had been
regarded as derelict.

BIG GAME PICTURE.

Franklin-Granville
Expedition.

One of the most romantic enter-
prises in the history of the British
film industry, the Franklin-
Granville big-game expedition
which has been secretly organising
during the past few weeks will
shortly leave for India and the Far
East.

Its itinerary will include visits
to China, Japan, the Malay Archi-
pelago, Siam, Burma, Nepal, Tibet
and Afghanistan. The main film,
which it is intended to make a
panorama of India, is provisionally
called "Fil Nishin," translated as
"He Who Rides the Elephant."

It is to be produced with Ameri-
can co-operation in the multi-
colour process, a system which en-
ables the exhibitor to show the
colour film through his ordinary
projector, without complications of
any kind.

The "high spot" of the expedition
will be a great elephant drive in
Burma, arrangements for which
have been already made by Capt.
Franklin, an experienced Indian
big game hunter, in association
with Capt. C. R. Billiter, the big
game organiser of Paul J. Rainey's
"African Hunt" film of a few years
ago.

Indian Native Players.
The native players will be chosen
in Bombay, but the white players,
not yet finally selected, will leave
London for India towards the end
of August.

Mr. F. Leroy Granville, the well-
known British producer, who is or-
ganising the expedition, stated
on the eve of his departure for
Hollywood, that it had
been arranged as the best means
of demonstrating the general pos-
sibilities of colour, in association,

of course, with sound.
"America is convinced," he said,
"that there are more colour values
in India than in any other country,
and as India is under the British
flag all that we shall film there will
rank for 'quota' purposes in Britain,
in which the film will be completed
and presented to the public."

Mr. Granville is an Australian,
who was at one time Curator of
Ornithology at the Colorado
Museum, and at another zoological
expert to Col. W. N. Selig, who
founded the famous Hollywood
Zoo.

"TRADER HORN."

How He Made A Film
Fortune at 80..

Aloysius Horn, the man who
won world-wide fame as Trader
Horn when he was on the thresh-
old of four-score years, died at a
nursing home at Tankerton, near
Whitstable, Kent. He was 82.

He had caught a chill, and for
a few days had been in a critical
condition.

Pioneer and blazer of trails in
the jungles of the Ivory Coast of
West Africa, the story of Trader
Horn reads like a Rider Haggard
romance. When Trader Horn told
it in a book four years ago it be-
came a best-seller, copies being
sold by the hundreds of thousands.

It fired the imagination of the
film kings of Hollywood, and the
old trader was induced to go there
to supervise the film. It was stat-
ed at the time that he received
£60,000 for his work.

Once Mr. Smith.
It was as Alfred Aloysius Smith
that he went out from Lancashire
to the Ivory Coast for a Liverpool
steamship company in 1871.
From assisting the company's
agent in developing the ivory and
rubber trade, he developed into
"Trader Horn" with a dozen side-
lines.

His adventures included:—
Shooting elephants and lions;
Washing gold at Cherry Creek;
when Denver was an infant city;
Painting pictures for a living
through the Southern States of
America;

Prospecting on the Kalahari
desert.

He had been a diamond expert
on the Rand; bought the tablets of
the Ten Commandments from an
Abyssinian priest; saved the bul-
lion from the wreck of the Em-
press of India; been favourite to
the paramount queen of Madagas-
car; and been outwitted by the
French Government for fighting
for her against them; served in an
irregular unit in the Boer War;
fought caravan raiders on the
Lake Chad Road; been carried in
the teeth of a wounded lion, and
assailed by blacks during a quar-
rel over ivory.

During the war he came to Eng-
land, and although taking 20 years
off his age failed to get him into
the Army, it is credibly reported
that he tried his hand at mine-
sweeping.

GEORGE BEILBY'S
SUICIDE.View of Humbugging
Managers.

A verdict of suicide whilst of un-
sound mind was read at an inquest
at Paddington on George Edward
Wright (54), an actor known on
the stage of George Beilby, who
was found dead with a revolver shot
wound in his head at his studio in
Pembroke Gardens, Kensington.
A letter was read in which
he gave his views on actors
and managers. I quote some of
it:—It was addressed to his wife:—
"I have worked hard on the stage,
as you know, in the endeavour to
establish my name, and after 21
years, I have succeeded in going so

beyond any manner of argument.
In 1920 and 1922 my performances
were the talk of London, and these
performances were in divers parts.
This was eleven years ago when I
was 42. For the past ten years
I have done nothing. The theatre
has no use for me any more. This
I have to realise, and it is difficult
to swallow when I see so many de-
plorable performances by highly
paid people at the present time, who
do not understand the rudimentary
principles of the stage at all.
Every true artist knows what I say
is true.

When I have gone, these humbug-
ging managers will say "What a
fine actor he was." Throw a rot-
ten egg at them. Why did they
not give me work while I was here.
When that talented composer, War-
lock, was dead they held a concert,
but what help is that to a man who
has put himself out?"

Mrs. Wright said her husband
had been a very fine actor, but had
been very depressed.—Singapore
Free Press.

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" Corned	牛肉	"	25 12	Capons, Large	雞	"	72 28 30
" Roast	牛肉	"	33 24 22	Duck	鴨	"	45 22 21
" Breast	牛肉	"	30 20 18	Doves	鴿	each	45 22 21
" Soup	牛肉	"	27 20 18	Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	33 18 —
" Steak	牛肉	"	33 24 22	Eggs, Hen (fresh)	雞蛋	"	35 25 20
" Steak Sirloin	牛肉	"	46 30 35	Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	76 36 24
" Sausages	牛肉	"	36 28 20	Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	"	60 85 24
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	17 10 12	Geese	鴨	"	50 24 24
" Tongue, fresh	牛舌	each	75 50 60	Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	48 80 —
" Tongue, corned	牛舌	"	60 —	" Holbow	白鴿	"	35 28 —
" Head	牛頭	"	\$120 — \$120	Turkeys, Cook	火雞	lb.	75 —
" Heart	牛心	lb.	24 18 14	Turkeys, Hen	火雞	"	60 61 45
" Hump, Salt	牛心	"	20 18	Snipe	沙	each	35 —
" Feet	牛蹄	each	12 10 12	Pheasant	山	pair	— —
" Kidneys	牛腰	"	15 10 12	Quail	鶉	each	— —
" Tail	牛尾	"	27 20 22	Partridges	鶉	"	— —
" Liver	牛肝	lb.	24 13 14				
" Tripe	牛肚	"	8 6 7				
Calves' Head & Feet	牛頭	set	\$150 \$100 \$100				
Mutton Chop	羊排	lb.	44 26 —	Fruits.			
" Leg	羊腿	"	44 26 —	Almonds	杏仁	lb.	80 35 —
" Shoulder	羊腿	"	40 24 —	Apples (California)	金山蘋果	"	45 26 —
" Saddle	羊腿	"	44 — —	Bananas (bridge)	蕉	"	8 4 —
Pigs' Chittlings	豬蹄	per set	30 27 —	" Carambola	佛手	"	— 12 —
" Brains	豬腦	lb.	16 15 —	Cocnuts	椰子	each	14 10 10
" Feet	豬蹄	"	28 15 18	Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	16 25 30
" Fry	豬蹄	"	18 20 —	Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	13 8 —
" Head	豬頭	each	15 10 10	Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	1.00 25 30
" Heart	豬心	lb.	48 30 24	Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	"	— — —
" Kidneys	豬腰	"	36 25 23	Oranges	橙	"	— 15 —
" Liver	豬肝	"	38 — —	Pears (Canton)	沙梨	"	— — —
Pork Chop	豬排	lb.	44 60 70	Peanuts	花生	"	14 10 12
" Leg	豬腿	"	26 21 —	Persimmons, Large	紅柿	"	28 12 —
" Loin	豬腰	"	44 60 70	Plantain	大蕉	each	20 12 6
" Fat or Lard	豬油	"	26 21 —	Pome's, Siam	暹羅柚	ib.	45 — 10
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭	per set	90 60 70	Walnuts	胡桃	"	— — —
" Heart	羊心	each	12 8 7	Grapes	葡萄	"	— — —
" Kidneys	羊腰	"	15 12 10				
" Liver	羊肝	lb.	25 25 22				
Sucking Pigs, to order	羊乳	lb.	50 20 18				
Suet, Beef	羊油	"	36 26 26				
" Mutton	羊油	"	22 20 20				
Veal	羊仔	"	28 — —				
" Sausages	羊仔	"	32 — —				
	No. 1	"	32 — —				
Fish.				Vegetables, &c.			
Barbel	鮠	lb.	55 16 24	Artichokes	菊	each	14 — 2
Bream	鯉	"	36 20 16	Beans, Sprout	豆	lb.	7 — 7
Canton Fresh Water Fish	淡水魚	"	36 — —	" Long	豆	"	14 — 8
Carp	鯉	"	30 13 16	Beet Root	紅	"	6 24 —
Catfish	鮠	"	48 16 27	Bitter Squash	青	"	6 5 3
Codfish	鱈	"	44 12 9	Brinjals, Green	瓜	"	6 5 3
Crabs	蟹	"	52 16 17	" Red	紅	"	14 — 12
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	"	32 23 26	Cabbage, Chinese	芥	"	8 — —
Dab	牙片	"	26 16 27	" (Shanghai)	菜	"	8 — —
Dace	黃魚	"	54 23 16	Cane Shoots, bunch	椰	each	— — —
Dog Fish	沙丁魚	"	22 10 —	Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜	"	— — —
Eels, Conger	鰻	"	52 10 8	" (Medium)	中椰菜	"	— — —
" Fresh Water	水	"	48 16 —	" (Small)	小椰菜	"	6 6 6
" Yellow	黃魚	"	48 10 8	Carrots	胡蘿蔔	lb.	14 5 6
Frogs	蛙	"	80 26 30	Celery, Chinese	美芹	"	14 10 6
Garoupa	石斑	"	90 32 25	Chillies, Dried	紅	"	18 25 5
Gudgeon	白鰻	"	28 40 30	" Red	紅	"	12 10 10
Herrings	青魚	"	35 22 18	" Green	綠	"	6 8 12
Halibut	白魷	"	42 13 23	Curry Stuff, English	菜	"	10 8 —
Labrus	黃魚	"	46 18 15	Cucumbers	青	"	6 2 —
Loach	黑魷	"	80 82 13	Garlic	蒜	"	10 6 6
Lobsters	龍蝦	"	72 62 24	Ginger, Young	薑	"	10 7 —
Mackerel	青魚	"	60 32 21	" Old	老	"	8 20 —
Monk Fish	海參	"	48 18 2	Horsedradish, Shanghai	菜	"	35 8 4
Mullet	沙丁魚	"	40 12 2	Indian Corn	粟	"	10 45 —
Oysters	牡蠣	"	35 14 9	Lettuce	生菜	"	10 1 —
Parrot Fish	海參	"	32 30 16	Water Chestnuts	荸薺	"	10 — 8
Perch	海參	"	52 16 9	" Mandarin	綠	"	12 — 8
Pike	海參	"	50 36 29	Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮	"	50 — 8
Plaice	海參	"	60 36 30	Okroes	茄	"	1 10 —
Pomfret, White	海參	"	44 36 45	Onions, Bombay	洋蔥	"	10 8 8
Pomfret, Black	海參	"	78 10 14	" Green	生	"	6 4 6
Prawns	明蝦	"	28 10 14	" Shanghai	上海蔥	"	6 0 —
Ray	石斑	"	34 13 18	Parsley	芹	"	35 60 8
Rock Fish	石斑	"	24 13 18	Potato, Sweet	芋	"	5 3 —
Roach	青魚	"	40 22 10	" Japanese	日本薯	"	4 3 —
Salmon	鮭	"	58 80 30	" American	金山薯	"	8 8 —
Shark	魚	"	22 3 10	Pumpkin	多	"	5 4 4
Skate	魚	"	22 10 10	Radish	紅	"	— — 10
Shrimps	蝦	"	62 33 80	Rhubarb (Fresh)	大	"	8 — 8
Snapper	魚	"	50 23 28	Skallots	薑	"	8 — 8
Soles	魚	"	52 22 23	Spinach	大	"	6 8 8
Tench	魚	"	42 23 85	Taroes	芋	"	20 4 —
Turbot	魚	"	40 12 12	Turnips, Fowl (Long)	菜	"	8 4 —
Turbot, small, fr. water	魚	"	1.35 40 —	Vegetable Marrow	青	"	14 15 —
				Water Cress	菜	"	8 15 —
				Water Lily Root	蓮	"	— — —

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BAMBOO POLES

BREEDING OF MOSQUITOES.

BUILDER FINED

INADVERTENCE
PLEA.

Adjourned from last week, the summons against Pan Yau-ting, a contractor of 15 Des Vaux Road, for having failed to comply with a Magistrate's order issued on July 15 last, to fill in with cement certain cavities in bamboo poles in order to prevent any possible breeding of mosquitoes, was concluded before Mr. Schofield this morning.

For the defence, Mr. Horace Lo said it was admitted that some of the ends of the bamboos had not been filled up with cement, but that was due to inadvertence. There had been no intention of disobeying the order wilfully, and there had been a delay of only a few days. Some of the poles had been blocked up. He asked his Worship to take a lenient view of the case, and added that the structure had since been taken down.

Sanitary-Inspector C. Strange—The scaffolding has been taken down.

His Worship said, that under the circumstances he would impose a fine of \$50 instead of \$100.

ABATING A NUISANCE.

Increased Fines for Boat People.

LYING INSHORE.

Some time ago the Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N. (retired) remarked on the prevalence of cases of boats lying inshore without permission. He then stated that the usual fine of \$5 for such an offence did not seem sufficient to stop the nuisance, and warned boat people that he proposed to increase the fine to \$10 for the next lot of offenders and to keep increasing the fine until a sum was reached at which the unlawful practice would cease.

This morning one boatman and four boat women were charged before his Worship with lying inshore at the Chia On wharf and all admitted the offence.

True to his word, the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10 on each accused, with the alternative of one week's hard labour.

THEIR MAJESTIES.

Leave for Sandringham For 10 Days.

Rugby, Yesterday. Their Majesties the King and Queen left London to-day for Sandringham, where they will spend ten days before proceeding to Scotland.—British Wireless Service.

FIRM UNDERTONE IN SHARES.

Local Market Described As Steady.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY.

The official summary issued by the local Stock Exchange to-day states:

The Stock Market was steady with a firm undertone at this morning's session of the Stock Exchange.

Sales of Banks at \$2,040 were transacted.

Unions were done at \$575 with sellers still in the market at this rate, buyers offering \$565. Hong Kong Fires had buyers at \$1,465.

Cements changed hands at \$20.25, sellers asking \$20.35, the buying rate being \$20.10.

Watson at \$16.50 were dealt in, buyers willing to deal at \$16.25.

CLOUDY AND RAIN.

The Royal Observatory's report issued to-day at 11.25 a.m. states:

A depression is central over S.W. China and a feeble anti-cyclone is central between S.W. Japan and the Bonins.

Forecast:—E. or variable winds, moderate; generally cloudy, some rain.

Rainfall. Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.48 inch. Total since January 1—50.63 inches against an average of 57.66 inches—deficit 7.13 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	80
Macao	81
Pratas Island	83
Manila	76
Foochow	82
Chefoo	78
Shanghai	79

Providents (old) with sales at \$6.20 had buyers at \$6.05.

Powells were done at \$3.60, sellers asking \$3.80.

Hotels (old) had buyers at \$17.15 with sellers at \$17.35. The new shares were done at \$17.90 the buyers' quotation being \$16.80. Realities at a buying rate of \$17.80 were done at \$17.85.

Government Loan changed hands at 5 1/2 per cent, sellers asking \$6 per cent.

Raubs had buyers at \$41.50, but shares were not obtainable at the rate.

Lands were enquired for at \$90.75 ex div.

Trams at \$21.40 had buyers but without leading to business.

Star Ferries were reported to have been done at \$98.50 with buyers at \$93.

Hong Kong Electric had buyers at \$81, but no shares came out at this rate.

China Lights had buyers at \$26, but no transactions resulted.

The part-paid Telephone shares were enquired for at \$34.25, but without success.

Hong Kong Ropes had buyers at \$21.10, but sellers were demanding \$21.60.

Constructions with a buying rate of \$18 were dealt in at \$18.20, and sellers were asking \$18.30.

BOMBAY PIQUED

BOYCOTT OF R.T. CONFERENCE.

MARK OF PROTEST

ONLY 3 OF THEIR MEN CHOSEN.

Bombay, Yesterday. Bombay is piqued by the fact that only one of their three representatives has been chosen to participate in the round-table Conference.

As a mark of protest the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce has decided to boycott the Conference.—Reuter.

JUST ONE TOO MANY.

Police Hospitality Has Limits.

A RUSSIAN LEARNS.

There are those who will insist that the third time is the luckiest, but there is one person who is prepared to state that the third time was just one too many. He is now undergoing a little cooling off in the Ward Road rest house.

It is not every police officer who takes a serious view of a case of "gazing on the wine when it is red." Unless a serious offence is committed policemen usually take a lenient view of a person slightly the worse for drink. One such person, a Russian, was taken to a local police station late one night recently and was allowed to sleep it off in one of the cells. He was given a warning and permitted to leave the next morning, says the Shanghai Sunday Times.

A few hours later the duty officer of the previous night was moving about the city in plain clothes when he was accosted by a Russian dressed in a white suit, but without shoes or socks. The Russian produced a dollar and asked for another in order to buy shoes. There was mutual recognition followed by the hurried departure of the Russian. He was the inebriated party of the previous night.

That night there trotted into the police station a richa coolie with an inert mass crumpled in the seat. He deposited his fare at the charge-room door and asked for instructions. "What, another drunk?", exclaimed the duty officer, and proceeded to see who the visitor might be.

There he was, hatless, bootless and "dead to the world" the lodger of the previous night. He was given another opportunity to sober up and, on this occasion, was given the chance to tell his story to a judge.

Even police hospitality must end somewhere.

The quarantine restrictions imposed against arrivals from Swatow on account of cholera have been removed.

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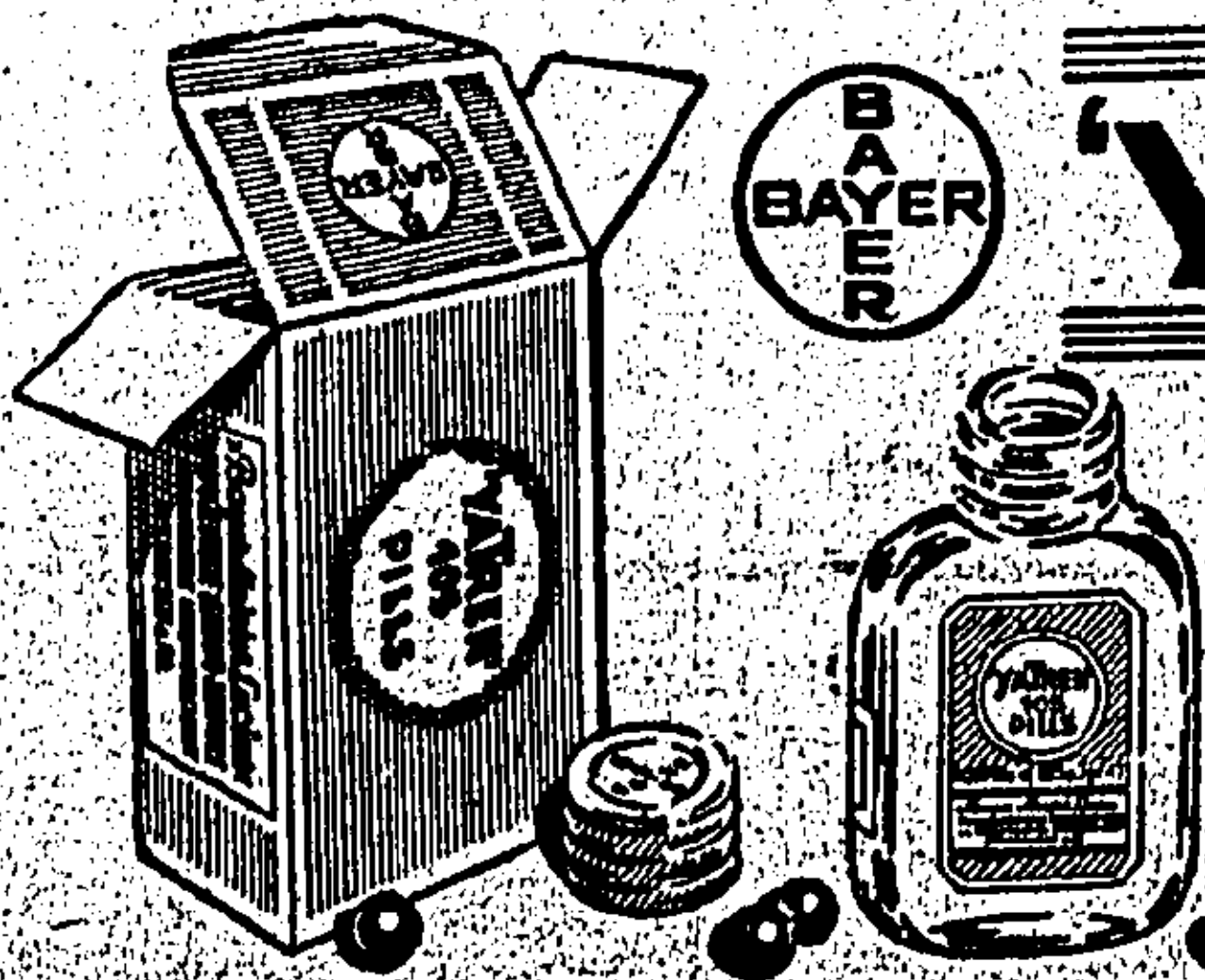
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